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The Brunette Beautiful

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GOD, *Who Art Thou?*

ARE we to know Thee by thy works, done unto us? For Thou sayest—"by thy works shall I know thee." How dost Thou know the little children of men who have not labored for Thee? Are we to believe Thine emissaries that they are condemned because of the sin of *Thy* imperfect creation?

ARE we to know Thee by the tens of thousands of innocent people, slain by Thy servants—the captives made by them? Are we to know Thee as a conspirator to enslave one nation to another—as an enticer of women for Thy favored sons?

ARE we to know Thee as the avenger? Dost Thy destruction of worlds depict Thy true self? O God! art Thou a sender of pestilence and famine that the children of earth must starve and become vile from Thy diseases and vermin that Thou dost especially create to avenge the seeming wrong of man whom Thou didst create in Thine own image?

ART Thou, O God! the blasphemer of motherhood, the torturer of ignorant men, the robber of intelligence, the crucifier for Thy children? Art Thou the opulent God of Mammon, demanding tithes from the poor; a purveyor of virtue in exchange for Thy favor?

ART Thou, O God, the distributor of plagues, the King upon a throne, receiving Thy elect whose battles Thou hast fought, whose days Thou hast planned and whose every need Thou hast supplied, even before it was asked of Thee?

ART Thou, O God! the judge of men, forgiver of sins, maker of Heaven and Hell, the deviser of implements of torture—art Thou the God of War, demanding the sacrifice of noble youth, the sacrifice of dumb beasts, to appease Thy thirst for blood?

ART Thou a personality, like men, whose spirit walketh in the lives of men, guiding them to deeds of valor, teaching them service to each other—loving life, abhorring death—erasing pain, giving intelligence, making opportunities that all men may commune together because of Thy creative influence upon them? Art Thou a union of strength, giving to men power of Wisdom and Knowledge of the law of assembly, that all may have honor and glory for good?

HAST Thou, O God! been maligned by surreptitious prophets and kings? Or does the fault lie with the interpreters of the word of Thy chosen servants of olden days? The mighty men of intelligence who have survived the tortures of Thy most revered prophets and scribes, are diligently making inquiry into the veracity of Thy record as handed down from that remote age when it was recorded that Thou didst walk and talk with men.

THE people of this age are patiently awaiting the call to action in loving and unselfish service of One whom they call God, that the children of earth may have peace and plenty, that the burdens, now too heavy for the weak ones to bear may be made lighter.

WE PRAY Thee, O God! if Thou art a personality, a spirit, a voice, a light, a flaming bush—make known Thy manifestations that *we* may judge *Thee* as Thou dost judge us—and know Thee by Thy merciful acts of compensation. If Thou art *a Law,* with power to control and intelligence *with* intelligence to guide, make Thy countenance to shine upon the world that all humanity may turn their faces to *Thy Light.*

—EFFA DANELSON

EFFA DANELSON'S

¶ *Human Interest*

IS human interest waning or is humanity changing its viewpoint to constructive criticism? Has modern development raised the question of greater activities? Are these demands on the human family responsible for the seeming neglect of individuals for each other?

In speaking of Human interest one must take into consideration the individual family, the wellspring of interests. Has parent love become less loyal or mindful of its progeny or have parents realized the greater need of independence for the child which is necessarily conducive to human progress? Is it not just possible that the hue and cry of lack of human interest is not one of misunderstanding of the true creative spirit of human interest?

While demonstrated affection is logically a part of human interest, it is not the rock from which human interest rears its beautiful head.

Human interest has its inception in the deeper and hidden emotions of the race. *To possess* is the desire of the heart of man. *The impulse to serve is its coat of arms.* Human interest is a tree of Life in the garden of man's Eden, whose mission is to serve the many needs of the human race. Progress is its polar star; where *it* guides man, his feet will readily follow.

Today this wonderful tree has put forth a twin branch called neglect and selfishness, but is it not rather individualism and ambition, a new kind of conventionality which gives freedom to the individual who is disposed to attend strictly to his own affairs and forge ahead to reach the chosen goal? Human interest, today, *is making good,* so that none may find themselves in poverty with the coming of the years.

Human interest, today, is not the giving of alms to the poor but the honest endeavor in individuals to *make good.*

¶ *Do Your Dead Live?*

IF YOU belong to *any* church, you believe your dead live. You believe your dead live because you believe in forgiveness, atonement and salvation; because you believe in a heaven and look forward to dwelling there yourself.

If you are a Protestant, your idea of Life after Death is visionary or an accepted idea of angel activities. If you are a Catholic, your dead are more real. You send messages to your dead by the travelers journeying from earth. You pray for your dead and pay tithes for them. But who, among the many, really *know* their dead live? Really think of them as being alive, keen to the issues of the day and home; taking part in your daily activities. The cults who have tired of the beliefs and ceremonies of the church are not sure their dead are real living entities, still possessing natural faculties of life, keen to realities.

Know that your dead must be *conscious* or your prayers avail nothing; they must be real to be forgiven, to make atonement or to be saved. Life must be vital, active after death, or heaven would mean nothing to us.

Open your eyes, diligent people!—behold the wondrous working of the universe and know that man *perishes not* when death claims his house of clay which is only the outward garment of Life. Add knowledge to your belief; know that prayers are answered by those who love you, and that the state of mind is not altered by death.

The greater vision, may come to one after death; for through understanding the Life is made new. Sorrow, sin and sickness may flee, but death itself *only changes the body* through which Life expresses. The thoughts of man which give happiness or unhappiness depend upon his realization and comprehension of his state of being in his new world.

¶ *Are Your Dead Real to You?*

ARE your dead real to you? Do they speak to you in their own voice? Can you look into their eyes and see the light of love or the fire of hate as you meet face to face with them? Can you feel the touch of their hands? Can you realize the tumult of their heart as they draw close to you? Can you speak to them and receive their answer? Do you feel the thrill of the presence of those you love, when things go wrong? Have you the assurance of their cooperation? Do your dead compel recognition by revealing to you their idiosyncrasies, their pet expressions? Are your dead real to you by a thousand tokens? If they are not, you do not know they live and they are not real to you; you are only hoping, believing, and afraid to face the truth about Life after death.

¶ *Give Your Dead a Chance!*

GIVE your dead a chance to talk; be honest about it; desire a communication with them, with all your heart. Set aside pride, cease to care what your neighbor thinks, forget about ghosts, convert theories into facts; give up your fear and set about the task of giving your dead a chance to talk; keep at it; what if you do have to spend a few dollars; the experience is worth it. Even if you get faked ninety-nine times out of a hundred, *one true communication* is all any sane person needs. After receiving one communication, they *know* that the now-called dead *live* and are willing to take a chance in that great gulf. (*St. Luke* 16-26.)

Skeptics bar their own progress and hermetically seal themselves in the tomb of silence because of their violent attacks upon the virtues of a test. When you cease to deny your dead and give them a chance to talk, they will find a way to reach you. Train yourself to think and you can and will be surprised at your own powers of perception. Your premonitions will be stabilized, your dreams will have a significance and your "hunches" will not go by unrewarded. You will realize that there are many things you did not know. You will be willing to seek the way of knowledge unhampered by egotism for, by common consent you will stand face to face with your dead, unafraid. They will no longer be ghosts to you but will be your warm hearted, loved ones.

Editorials of the Day

¶ *Paying Tithes For the Dead?*

IF YOU pay tithes for your dead, why? How can money help them if they are dead or asleep, in Hell or in Heaven? How do *they* benefit by the money spent for their souls? Does it get them a better position or better treatment? Is it an assistance to them in gaining *knowledge*? Do *you* know *why* you pay tithes for your dead? Is it to buy a place for yourself when it comes your turn to enter the state of death? Do you know your dead are conscious of your paying tithes for them? If they are conscious, do you know they desire *you* to take that which would give food and shelter *to the living,* making this world a more comfortable place to live in? *If* they do *not* know you pay your tithes, how can it benefit them? If they are saved through confession *before* death, is tithe paying for them consistent? If not absolved before death, does it absolve them after death? Has salvation a monetary value that tithe paying should be incumbent upon remaining relatives? Do you pay tithes for your dead to help them or is that just a revenue for the church? If a source of revenue for the church, is it not as much chicanery to sell charms for the dead or living, in the name of the church, as it is under the auspices of any other cult?

¶ *Does Hanging Kill the Man?*

DOES HANGING kill the man, is the question of the hour. Occultists claim it does *not*. The Catholic church teaches of conscious life after death. Protestant churches believe in the salvation of the soul. If hanging kills the man, what mission has the church? If hanging does not kill the man, how can the church control the vicious characters *after* the change called death? Does the government punish the criminal by robbing him of his *physical* body? What does it avail the government to hang a man and what power has the government over the Life *after* death?

If hanging does not kill the man what protection does the church and government give the people from the hanged man? If the Occultists are right and the hanged man is *not* killed, has not the government created a menace, rather than destroyed one? If the hanged man still lives, although robbed of his physical body, he must be in a conscious state of being or he could not be punished; be prayed for, saved or communicated with, after death. That part which is supposed to be killed when hanged, grimaces at the hangman, slips from the noose and walks away a free man. What then, has it availed the State to hang in effigy, a body that does not contain the man. What does the State really hang? A bundle of nerves that played a false game of life with the man whose name it bore. What then did the State kill? The scientist will tell us that the State destroyed a group of cells assembled together to obey the will of man until a stronger force scattered them. The hangman's rope, controled by the law of man, was that stronger force.

If the Theosophists are right in their delineations and re-incarnation be true, are not the States and Countries whose laws demand a life for a life, contributing criminals for future generations? Would it not be far better to build schools than jails? Give enlightenment to youth and the hangman's rope will be unnecessary.

¶ *Is Hanging a Christian Act?*

IS hanging a Christian act? Here is a question most worthy of discussion. If Christians have faith in the hereafter and believe in the power of prayer why do they not substitute a prayer for the hangman's rope? If they believe that all power is vested in an Almighty God, why do they not invoke that power for the condemned man and place him in an environment conducive to the workings of that power?

If they do not know the exact state of being after death, is it a Christian act to send a soul on such a journey? If a condemned man can be forgiven to die, would it not be a Christian act to forgive him and let him *live?* Peradventure he may become a good citizen and be worthy of a place among his fellow men on earth. If the priest has power to forgive sins at the brink of death would it not be a worthy act to stay execution after forgiveness is gained and put the condemned man to work to support *the dependents* of he who was slain?

Is hanging a Christian act? This is a question worth more consideration in the future than it has had in the past. Is it Christian or even sensible, to free the soul of man, not knowing whither it may journey? In lieu of the fact that no two religions agree on the all important issue of Eternal Life, how can they commend the sending of a human Life adrift? Hanging is not only un-Christian but it is unsafe. Hanging is a menace to the human race and should be abolished by the common consent of the people. The Commandment *"Thou shalt not kill"* was intended for State as well as the individual citizen.

¶ *Are the Murderers Saved?*

IF LIFE is evolution, how can a confession of faith change a man from unholiness to holiness? By what process of faith can a criminal be changed from a murderer by a few words spoken at the eleventh hour? Can a murderer's sins be forgiven by the mere say-so of *a man,* delegated by the church?

How can the criminal be saved if his life is cut off by the authority of the law? Is it sane or sensible to continue a practice of which the outcome is unknown to men? Is the penalty paid when the murderer is forgiven? What restoration has he made for the crime committed? Does the forgiveness of the murderer restore the lost life? What powers of "saving grace" can mitigate the crime of a murderer as he passes into the shadow of the gallows?

If Life is evolution, *who* has progressed in knowledge sufficiently to condemn or condone a crime for all Eternity? If no traveler ever returned to relate his experience, what record have we that the murderer *was* saved?



THE Mystery GOD OF EGYPT

By DR. ANITA WARDA MARIS BOGGS

IN the secret adytum of the Egyptian Pantheon, enveloped by the enshrouding mystery of an antiquity so great that his very priests knew not whence he came nor when his worship began in the land of Kem, sits on his throne the "Beautiful of Face," Ptah, "Begetter of the Gods, Creator of the Universe."

To all who seek the hidden path of wisdom, Isis or Åst, to give her the correct name, and Osiris or Åsar are synonomous with Egypt. These two great divinities have come to modern times as Mary the Mother of God and Christ the Resurrection. Herodutus the Greek and Apuleius the Roman, initiates in the mysteries of Isis-Osiris, have given us practically all we know of the actual cult of these two gods, but they were constrained by their vows of silence from disclosing anything of real significance. We gather from their outlines, of the meaning of Isis and Osiris, and from the texts that have been preserved to us, of later Egypt, that both gods were highly revered for their interest in humanity. They were gods close to the human heart but at no time supreme beings or even of the greater heiararchies. They were gods to whom man could go in trouble and in happiness. Isis was present at his birth and Osiris received him after death. Powerful as they were in assisting human affairs, they never vied with Amen, the great god of the Rammeseide period or of Rā whose political star rose about the third dynasty and who remained a power ever to be considered in spite of conjunction with and at times occultation by Amen, even to end of Egyptian history. Through political power the worship of Rā and of Amen and of AmenRā was embraced throughout the entire Egyptian empire. The cult of Osiris-Isis was never an official one although every king or antef of Egypt sought to be identified with Osiris in life that he might live after death. Modern thought has called Osiris the God of the Dead, his Egyptian name means literally "the Lord of Life" and the tomb is called the "House of Life."

The Egyptian pantheon seems, even to serious students, an hetrogeneous chaos, with duplication of powers under various names and a hopeless confusion of attributes. Order is patent only when the gods are allotted their respective places in the hegemony. The system is feudal, a supreme being with many lesser gods or assistants, like the Norman barons, some with similar powers but allotted to exercise that power in different sections, others, again, of specific attributes like the goddess of truth—*Mut,* still others of human interests, Osiris and Isis and still lower beings, but yet immortal, that watched over the daily life of per-

sons. This hierarchial system has been preserved in the Christian doctrine of Cherubims and Seraphims, archangels, angels, guardian spirits and saints, and further carried out in the hierarchy of the Roman Catholic Church.

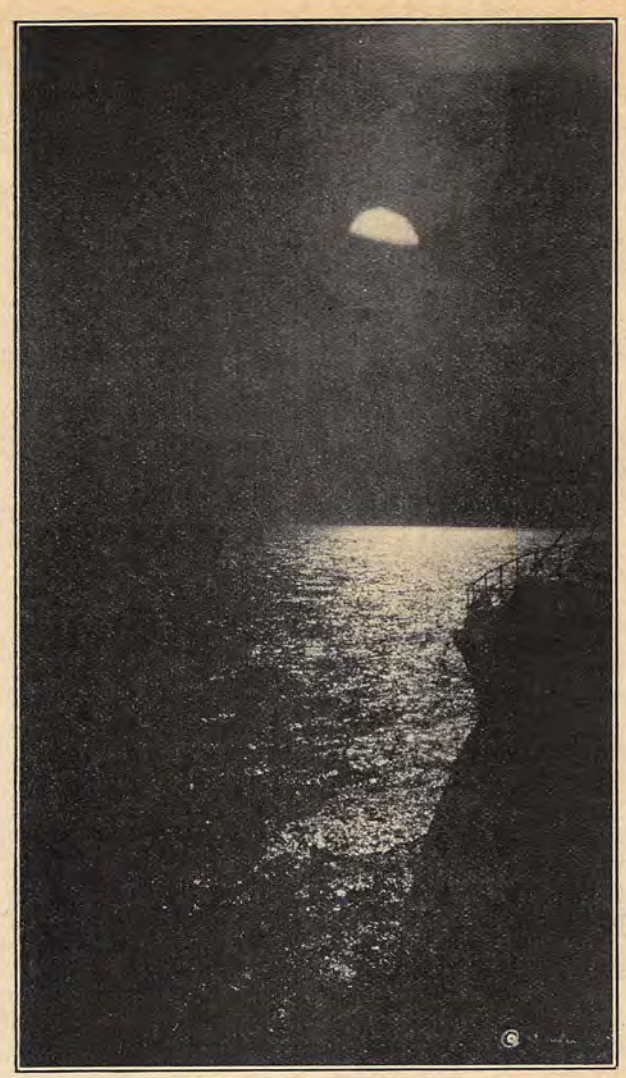
Osiris-Isis are the gods of humanity, Rā as we know from cross word puzzles is the Sun God; who then is *Ptah* and what is his nature and functions?

Historical Egypt has, until recently, opened with the reign of Men or Menes, the founder of the first dynasty in 3400 B. C. if one follows the German-American chronology, or 5600 B. C. of Dr. Petrie and the British School. *Men* is said to have founded Memphis, or as it was known to the Egyptians of all times, "The White Wall of the Ka of Ptah." Of this city and the fountain head of Ptah worship nothing remains but the outlines of the foundations of the Ptah temple and the wall that surrounded the entire city. An endeavor to reconstruct the nature of the great god of this city from the remains that Dr. Petrie and his splendid co-workers laboriously uncovered and published in the proceedings of the British School of Archeology, would require more than human mind. Fortunately, in spite of the political ascendancy in popular worship of Ra and Amen, Ptah was so revered throughout all of Egypt from the earliest days to its fall that many inscriptions from other cities and temples have come down to us and most remarkable of all is the Sa-Ba-Kha tablet now in the British Museum. From these we shall be able to see perhaps, but vaguely, the power known as Ptah "Beautiful of Face, Begetter of the Gods."

The supreme god of the first three dynasties of Egypt, so far as is known was Ptah, although no representation of him, that may be accurately identified as such, has been preserved from this period. In the great list of offerings made in the 17th and 18th Dynasties we find an apparently enormous priesthood attached to this temple. During the entire life of Egypt as a nation Ptah was worshipped as one of the greater gods. A Pharoah might be honored by the god Rā or Amen by having either name as part of his own such as Snefera, Rameses, son of Rā, or Amen-hotep—the peace of Amen, Tut Ankh Amen, living statute of Amen, showing that he was an initiate of the lesser mysteries and the chief representative in the external world of these gods. The priesthood of Ptah was the guardian of the greater mysteries—its interests was not in political supremacy of one man as against another, of one nation over another or of one solar system in comparison with another but with the *mysteries of the universe.* It sought to solve the problems of cosmology *not* of dogma, ever realizing that the life that made the galaxies manifested equally in the worm as in the universes.

Egyptian religious life was divided into two departments each with its high priests, priesthoods and cults just as in Thibet today. Those of Rā were concerned with the guidance of Egypt as a nation in its relation to other nations and those of Ptah the guardians of the esoteric mysteries. The worship of Ptah was not confined to Memphis; every nome, every city, every town and village had its shrine to Ptah and its attendant priests. Foreign booty was shared alike between Ptah and AmenRā, though often times the Rā priesthood would manage to get the larger half.

What then are the attributes that delimit Ptah from the other gods, what is his true nature and function?



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IN THAT DARK NIGHT Of The Death

There Shall Arise in the East a Gleaming Pathway of Light and the Ship of the Soul Shall Sail Down Into

The Dawn of ETERNAL DAY

What concepts did the average Egyptian mind hold of this god and what the inner priesthood? Unlike any of the other gods, Ptah is never represented with any animal form, attributes or symbols. He is ever a young man with eyes wide open, a kindly smile on his powerful expressive face. He sits or stands alert with hands and feet ready for action. He is dressed in a close fitting skull cap and short kirtle. Around his neck is a cord or necklace with a curious ornament hanging down his back whose meaning has not been deciphered. During the 17th and 18th Dynasties when the Osirian mysteries became better known, Ptah is sometimes represented as mummified like Osiris but this nullifies the older conception of his place in the Egyptian pantheon. The original representations give the feeling of creative power ever expressing itself intelligently and teleologically.

Dr. Breasted in "Records of the Past" and others has given the inscriptions relating to Ptah that reflect

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the ordinary mortal's idea of the great god of Memphis: (Italics are the writer's.)

"Attached to the heart of his lord, beloved of his lord, revered by Ptah, doing that which the god desires of him, *pleasing every artificer* under the king" (Tomb of Ptah Shepses), 4th Dynasty.

"King Nebirkarā, the King of Upper and Lower Egypt, he made his monument for Ptah, South of His Wall" (Tomb of Tnty, Lepsius Denkmaler) 5th Dynasty.

"The two high priests of the city of Ptah-Memphis and the *artisans* to be assigned them. The stone work went on every day and daily inspection was made of that which was done" (Tomb of Manekhsekhmet, Breasted) 5th Dynasty. "Kheti, the king, restores Ptah's temple, in order to raise the ancient walls, the original places of offerings to (erased) venerable ground which Ptah built with his own fingers "Inscription at Smt, 9th or 10th Dynasty. "The quarry chambers were opened anew, good limestone of 'nw was taken out for his temple of eternity, the temple of Ptah" Quarry of Ma'Sara during the reign of Ahmose I, 18th Dynasty.

He restored, "(He made the monument) for his father Ptah," Beautiful of Face, Lord of Life, of the two lands, presiding over the great seat, erecting for him the house of Ptah anew (Thutmose III Karnak Temple badly defaced under Ikhnaton).

"This is the story I heard from the priests of Hephaestus" —(Identified by the Greeks with Ptah) Herodutus II.

From the above inscription it is patent that Ptah to the average mind was the patron of builders, architects and artists. Looking further under the surface, the constructive, building nature of this god is shadowed forth. He is the great artist, the great architect, the constructive mind.

At Abu Simbal the mighty Ramses II has left for the twentieth century his conception of Ptah, a long inscription in which Ptah speaks for himself: "Utterance of Ptah Tatenen, lofty of plumes, Begetter of the Gods, to his son, first born of his body (usual double titles) Ramses II.

Ptah speaks' I am thy father, who begat thee. As the gods all, thy limbs are as the gods. I assumed the form of the Ram, Lord of Mendes, and begat thee in thy mother, since I knew that thou wouldst be my companion, that thou wouldst do profitable things for my ka. I fashioned thee to rise like the sun, exalted thee before the gods, King Rameses II given life, the companion of Ptah.

When I see thee my heart rejoices and I receive thee in my embrace. I surround thee with permanence, stability and peace. I make thy heart divine like mine. I choose thee, I weigh thee, I prepare thee that thy *heart may discern,* that thy *utterances may be profitable. There is nothing whatever which thou doest not know* for I have completed thee this day that thou mayest make all men live by thy instructions, O King Rameses II, Given Life.'" (Breasted, "Ancient Records")

In the "Liturgy of the Opening of the Mouth," is found "Ptah hath opened my mouth with his instrument of iron with which he opened the mouths of the gods." (Budge P. 35.)

Ptah, according to Ramses II, is the Begetter of the Gods and men; the giver of divine intuition, discernment of heart, and the will behind the spoken word that makes utterances profitable. He is the giver of life, creative mind and speech, the builder and architect of man himself, man not as an unreasoning aimless animal but a reasoning, constructive, creator.

The High Priest of Ptah was always known as "the mighty magician, powerful of words" who by his knowledge of the divine plan could enforce his will and could compel conditions to conform to his desires. *He creatted by words.* Words, to be effectual, must be backed by *knowledge* of cause and effect, of foresight and by concentration of will, to the completion of the act or condition desired. Ptah tells Ramses II that he will make his "utterances profitable, there is nothing which thou doest not know—that thou mayest make all men live by thy instruction." The god promises Ramses II omiscience, that he may instruct. He promises "discernment of heart" for what? Political advancement of himself or Egypt? Rather that Ramses "may instruct." Ramses as a spiritual teacher is a role ungranted by history. Whether he fulfilled the desire of the god is not here of moment. It is noteworthy however that the finer the mind meditating upon the attributes of Ptah, the more majestic the understanding of his nature. From Ptah the concrete architect, to the delicate nice art of moulding men's minds and lives has Ramses advanced. Further is the implication that the art is open, by the promise of the very god himself, to his initiates. If man may become a moulder, a builder, a creator of his own mind, of himself, of his environment, of future generations, has he reached the limits of this, the creator god? Has Ptah the right to the exclusive use of the title of creative god?

In the British Museum is a stela made by King Sa-Ba-

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Will NEW YORK CITY BE DESTROYED IN 1927?

The article on the opposite page is presented for its curious interest, and its publication must not be interpreted as indorsement of its eccentric portents.

The author is Mrs. Ernst Benninghoven, who calls herself Mother Rhoda Alice. Her home is a mountain top called Skylands in the Santa Cruz Mountains, in California, and there she lives the life of an ascetic. She has been a recluse since 1902, emerging at intervals to announce predictions of the character of these appended here. She is the widow of Ernst Benninghoven (son of the German reformer, Gottlieb Benninghoven), well known in the West as an expert on lands and colonization. She calls herself a Jewish Christian and is of English-Irish-American origin.

Mother Rhoda Alice is described as a wraith of a woman, invariably robed in long white garments. Entirely secluded in her mountain top, her nearest neighbor being twenty-five miles away, her body is worn to fragility by her fasts. Her diet is of cereals, nuts and fruit. She believes that the mantle of Daniel the Prophet has descended upon her.

That the prediction about the San Francisco earthquake was made in the terms set forth is attested to by William de Roden Pos, of San Francisco, and by Mrs. Myrtis Hodges of New York, who in 1910 investigated Mother Rhoda Alice's claims. Mrs. Hodges attended the lectures in which the prophetess predicted a world war and the breakup of civilization.

—Psychic Power.



Will NEW YORK CITY *Be Destroyed* in 1927?

A Psychic Prophecy *By* Mother Rhoda Alice

"IN May, 1910, three days before Halley's comet came to the point nearest to the earth, when the vision of God was upon me, I was resting in my bed when suddenly impelled by a divine power to rise and look at the sky toward the north. The hour was 11 A. M. I rose and saw a peculiar white fire glowing and gathering there in a singularly rapid fashion. The potency of the fire lay not so much in the sight thereof as in the startling feeling that was directly conveyed from it to my consciousness.

As I looked a word began to be formed or written in the white flame. The word was "DOOM." It appeared in the midst of the radiant fire as if it were at the back, or by a power not visible.

The word was of immense dimensions. The length must have been almost a mile. The height of the letters was proportionately great. The type was of the old Roman-English style, severely plain and simple. The ominous word seemed to stretch across the whole northern heavens. It stood there, still and menacing, for a moment or two and then slowly faded away.

In a few seconds or moments, I know not which, I was so rapt in the wonder of it all, it began slowly to reappear again as it had done before and was soon in full view, glowing and frightful to behold.

Three times in succession was this warning given by the most high God to me, and given to me to be given forth to the human race in order to prepare it for what was then to come, and what is still to come, upon it.

As with Belshazzar and his court, God found the kings of the earth and the people, as well as the human priesthood, drunken with worldliness and self, and nearly all mankind living in a riotous sensualism and a sordid carnality that outdid the sensuousness of Belshazzar's feast, while the bedraggled banner of the God-Christ waved over the battlements of a Christless Christian world, and the name of the founder of Christianity had become a byword—an empty symbol—with the majority of the people of the land.

To apostate Christendom first came the selfsame judgment that came to the licentious king of Daniel's time, but it came in a still more powerful and unmistakable way.

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The HUMAN Element and The Unification of Knowledge

By
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Who believes that in this Great Mechanical Age of Invention and Specialization that HUMAN ENGINEERING should include its coworker "humanization" both in industry and in education and that the heart-strings or "the human factor" should be appealed to as well as his purse-strings



THIS is Dr. Henry B. Auerbach, through whose keen discerning eyes he watches the world go by—scientifically studying, analyzing, classifying his observations of the types of character so that all may analyze and know their fellow humans.

INDUSTRIAL activity that is too highly mechanized tends, as Emerson long ago pointed out, to turn men into spiders and needles. Absence of culturing influences, drudgery attendant upon mere machine tending, lack of interest because of failure to see the unified whole of which their *specialty* is a necessary part, are among the many factors contributing to the widespread industrial and social unrest of today.

But if the workers understand just what it is they are about, if their respective duties are interestingly and constructively arranged and correlated so as to afford a really creative incentive or activity, if they see that the whole process of which their special operation is a vitally necessary and useful part is of genuine service to society in general, then the otherwise monotonous mechanizing effect of these over-specialized (and not infrequently even inhuman) operations will be counteracted to some considerable extent at least, if not wholly.

And even under only a fairly well humanized industrial regime, it would probably come to pass that instead of stupidly permitting the mechanism to dictate and limit the performance, the worker himself would assume a truly masterful control of the situation by fusing technique or mechanism with thought and feeling. For finally, a complete functional, structural and historical familiarity with the tools, instruments and machinery with which he does his work would tend to assume an aspect approaching humanness, "organism" pulsating with the forces of life, in that the worker—growing in confidence and efficiency, and with broadening human interests—would gradually experience, at first only *emotionally* and later *intellectually*, that his seemingly soulless working tools are after all but actual extensions of his very self. Hence, analysis of even an almost wholly automatic type of machinery will thus have become motivated in such a human-like way as to lose its purely abstract and mechanistically uninteresting character. In this connection, it may be well to add that this idea of ascribing "personality" to machines is not a new one, as witness the commonly familiar expression "tin Lizzie" when referring to a Ford automobile. Then, too, locomotives, ships, printing presses and similar mechanisms undoubtedly manifest slight "personalities" to most people, but more particularly to the engineers and others directly concerned with their operation and maintenance.

And although the complexity of present conditions

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The PROPHECY *of Early History Fulfilled*

THE prophecy of early history that "old things shall pass away and all things shall become new," is being fulfilled. The wonderful advantages that people of today have, is positive proof that old things are passing away. Since men turned away from the worship of idols and the worship of man and gave their attention to the *unseen* elements, nature has been forced to give up her hidden treasures and all things have changed, despite the fact that men will lightly and laughingly tell you that there is no civilization.

Delving into the secrets of Nature—searching for the hidden things—has advanced civilization. Progress has been made, man no longer fears the waves, the winds or the lightning flash. Wherever modern man has set his foot, things have been transformed from the wild.

In the near future the beast of the jungle, the foxes of the field and the birds of the air will disappear; all domestic animals, even those that are cherished today as pets, will disappear. Man will have to revise his diet for there will be no living things for him to feed upon. Man will devastate the living things in the water with his poisonous gases and his deadly weapons and will eliminate from the earth everything that is not his kin and unless he greatly revises his way of thinking, man will annihilate the human race. I am *not* prophesying that this annihilation will take place for it is hoped that man will awaken to the need of cooperation with his brother and that in the revealment of the hidden things of nature he will realize that, after all, *he* is the master of *his* universe and not the ruler of all things weaker than himself.

As one form of life passed into oblivion another took its place. Today is the *Air Age* and out of the air will come to the world, the most wonderful inventions. Out of the air will come teachings most blessed. The voices of *the living dead* will be heard everywhere. Knowledge, without mystery, will be portrayed to the thinking mind of man. It will no longer be necessary for man to sit under the cover of false names, hiding his identity or be ashamed of the fact that those the world call *"dead,"* are *living* and *human* in their intensity to let it be known they have found *life* beyond the portal of death.

Old conceptions will surely fade; the teachings that men have lived by, fought for, died for, will no longer be falsely interpreted. To the babes, the great question of Life will be revealed. Those who are seeking knowledge and understanding of the great Law of Life, need only to sit in the silence of their own being. Nature has given to every man and woman an inner chamber and in this inner chamber no one else can enter. The Scriptures say, "Enter into the chamber and close the door." The chamber referred to is the great Life center of man, from which his Life is fed. The time, the place, does not matter. One can be waiting on the busy street corner, riding in the street car, at work or play, but life ever functions within this inner chamber. If there is a thought that troubles you *analyze* it; if it is worth while, enter the silence chamber and say to that great mind of yours, "I have placed a thought in the inner chamber to be purified." Then go about your daily task knowing that in due time your question will be satisfactorily answered.

This law is known to "groups" here and there who have named it one thing and another; these different groups, coming together have fought over the supremacy of the name; wars have been instigated until, in religion, the divisions and sub-divisions can no longer be counted. Each and every group has the same identical Savior and worship the same God. Each have the same Book of Life, *their* Holy book—their Bible, but their interpretations lead them to different conclusions. Each group is arraigned against the other; each group asks that the rain fall upon them and not on the other. Each group, with their emissaries in the field, try to force every other group out of existence. Each one believes, in their souls that they are doing the will of *their* God and Master. *This* warfare has been going on all thru the ages and even today, the battle is waging fiercely.

To be sure, in different ages, there are different weapons of war but the object of war has not changed—the fighting is over the question of who shall inhabit Heaven and who shall be sent to Hell. Because of this, families disagree; bodies are being crippled, lives are being crushed. Nature says, Search for the things that are hidden under my wings; seek and ye shall find that in all the universe, nothing can be hidden from *mind*.

Just a short time ago, one dared not whisper to the other that communication with one who had died, was possible. Today, the heavens, so to speak, have opened and the Dove has come forth with its message of love unto every creature, man, woman and child alike. These messages of knowledge and understanding light up the dark chambers and bring forth *Life* unto perfection and beauty. The unrest in the world is the fulfillment of this prophecy, that old things shall pass away.

Every day, scientists are making new discoveries. If, in 1848, science had said to the world, "we believe communication with the so-called dead is possible," people would not be in the poverty of mind they are in today. Science took the stand that it was not so. Religion took the stand that it would *not* have this truth known to the world. It said: "The people must *not* know the truth about Life." Those in authority have cloaked this truth in mystery and called it super-natural; but today, mystery no longer rules. Behold the world of today with its myriads of eyes searching for the Truth that shall bring the new Heaven and the new World.

By
THADDEUS MILES

Who says:

"The War of the Ages still rages over the old question *who* shall be sent to Heaven and *who* shall be sent to Hell."

"The Mystery God of Egypt"

By DR. ANITA WARDA MARIS BOGGS (*Continued from page* 8)

Kha which announces itself as a copy of an extremely ancient document. It has been summarized by Dr. Henry Breasted, our great American Egyptologist and more recently examined and studied thoroly by the father of Egyptology, Dr. Adolf Erman who is of the opinion, from internal evidence, that the original content of the stela dates at least from the times of the builders of the pyramids while parts of the cenent are certainly predynastic. This stela concerns itself mainly with the nature of Ptah and reveals the Memphitic conception that later Egypt either did not know or kept in the secrets of the temples. The Sa-Ba-Kha stela has been used for a mill stone and much of the most interesting part has been defaced. The translation that follows is that of Dr. Breasted compared in each instance with that of Dr. Erman and with the original not for the sake of improving on the masterly translations of either of these great scholars but rather to be sure that the present writer has not unwittingly read a meaning into the words not there implicated.

SA-BA-KHA-STELA

"Ptah the Creator of the Gods"

"Ptah the great is the heart and tongue of the gods
Ptah from whom goes forth power of the heart and tongue;
That which comes forth from every heart and from every tongue
Of all gods, of all peoples, of all cattle, of all reptiles that live,
Thinking and commanding what Ptah wills.
The heart it is that brings forth every successful issue
It is the tongue that repeats the thought of the heart
The heart it was that fashioned the gods,
At the time when every divine word came into being
Thru the thought of the heart and the command of the tongue.

The heart is the maker of every good word, of every handicraft, the doings of the hands, the goings of the feet the movement of every member is according to its command, the word of the heart's thought that cometh from the tongue and doeth all of everything.
Everything that cometh forth from the heart, whether offering or food or divine oblation or any good thing.

Since he formed the gods, he made the towns, he quipped the provinces
He helped the gods in their sanctuaries,
He made likenesses of their bodies to the satisfaction of their hearts
Then the gods entered into the bodies.
He is the former of all of the gods, of Atum and his Aennead
His divine Aennead is before him, being the teeth the lips (the phallus) and hands of Atum.
The Aennead came into existence from his phallus, the Aennead being the very teeth an lips in this mouth which proclaims the name of everything.
This Aennead formed the sight of the eyes, the hearing of the ears, the smelling of the nose that they might send up the desire to the heart.

The heart it is that causes every consummation to come forth
The tongue it is that repeats the thought of the heart, the former of the gods of Atum and his Aennead
When every divine word came into existence
Thru the thought of the heart and the command of the tongue."

To summarize briefly, according to this doctrine Ptah is the creator of the gods. He conceives in his heart, he utters a divine word, creation ensues. He creates first the lesser gods, of which the chief is Atum, ten in number. These gods in turn create man with his physical senses. Man in turn using the thought life of his creator, conceives and brings into actualization the towns, the temples, the statute of the gods. Everything originates in the thought of Ptah and is dependent upon that thought for its very life and continuance. How similar to the modern theory of metaphysics that man and the universe continues to exist because God the great conscious Thinker continues to will our existence. Life manifesting in the external world is Ptah, hence Ptah is the soul of the world.

"The heart it is that causeth every consummation to come forth. The tongue it is that repeats the thought of the heart." Ptah, the course of all thought of all materialization, of the heart of the world, of the heart of man is evidently conceived as the soul of the person just as much as the soul of the gods. The human soul is able to create its surroundings in so far as it is conscious of its source and draws on the great Creative Power of Ptah, its power is limited only by its development.

Ptah according to this stela is not the creator of himself, nor in his creation of the lesser gods does he disrempt himself actually or metaphysically. He does use his life. Whence comes that life? What is the primal essence which is moulded by his thought? Of this the priests of Ptah have told us nothing. Their statements are unmistakable that he is not the originator of life, but he who brings it into external manifestation. He is the Creative Word, the Logos that manifests first as a hierarchy of gods who in turn manifest as humanity. Ptah himself is a manifestation of essence. He is the creator of the visible universe. His life is in the lowest worm; his thought in every human heart.

If Ptah is the soul of the world and the life of its creatures is he the sun? The Sa-Ba-Kha tablet is clear on that point. Ptah creates Atum and his Nine. Atum is the ancient name of the sun god, which god it is interesting to note is endowed with conscious telelogical creative power. The Aennead—the Nine—are also intelligent beings using their thoughts in harmony with and at the direction of their father, their creator—Ptah.

If Ptah is not the visible sun, nor the power behind the sun, or the spiritual being that manifests as the sun whom or what did these early mystics conceive him to be?

No records have come down to us, no hint in the inscriptions. But the Egyptians preserved their wisdom in unusual ways, patent to all who have the ability to read the inner meanings of life.

Astronomy gives us a clue. Dr. Norman Lockyer investigating the orientation of the earlier Egyptian temples made the interesting and curious discovery that the earlier temples at Memphis from the ground plans remaining were oriented to Capella. The Ptah Temples at Karnak and elsewhere were likewise oriented. In 5400 B. C. (British chronology) was a temple erected to this star at Memphis. In 5300 one at Annu; in 3000 B. C. Temple U at Karnak; in 2400 B. C. The Temple of the South at Thebes; in 1750 B. C. Karnak Temple G.

Capella is the chief star of Auriga, the charioteer which represents a man seated in the Milky Way with one foot on the right horn of the Bull. On his shoulder is a goat and her two kinds are in his left hand. Capella has a pearly white light and is of the solar type. Its magnitude is—I and it is nearer the north star than any other O or —I magnitude stars. Its diameter is 14 million miles, its revolution 104 days and it is 149½ light years away. It rises in August and culminates January 19th, at 9 p. m. It is invisible only in July after midnight. It is called by its Arabian name—Capella—and is supposed by them to be the guardian of the Pleideas. It has a companion of enormous but invisible mass.

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Telethot and Telepathy



By THOMAS J. ALLEN, M. A., M. D

A Plea— For The Scientific Classification and Investigation of Mental Phenomena

A FEW centuries ago, chemistry, astrology, alchemy —all the sciences—were *occult* and to many orthodox scientists and a majority of laymen who were fearful of being thought queer—the occult was a thing to be shunned. Bigotry in science is as pernicious as bigotry in religion. The occult is, as yet, simply the undeveloped sciences—although in the beneficent science of phrenology there has been perhaps as much quackery as in the so-called science of medicine. However this will not discourage the lover of truth from investigating the mysteries in that borderland between the known and the unknown. Fortunately, Harvey, Marconi, Edison and other great pioneers were not discouraged by ridicule.

The foundation of the *electronic* constitution of *matter* has created havoc with some of our orthodoxies. We *now* understand that all "matter," in the last analysis, is *one* (including the thing called *thought*). The only difference between iron, gold, sound, heat and *thot* is the *differing rate of vibration* that distinguishes each from the other. The primary colors of *light* are *different* vibrations. Scientists are discovering the health benefits of different vibratory rates of *light*—light higher than that of the visible *violet* and the *"infra"* red, which is *invisible* below the ordinary red. Light has not only seven differing vibrations but many more, above and below the *seven* visible to the ordinary eye—as demonstrated by the X-ray, the Gamma ray and others. *Thot* is *not* merely a *single* rate of vibration emitted from the human nervous system but many rates of vibration each infinitely different in its effects as witnessed by love, fear and hate.

Recent press reports tell the story of a French scientist who claims to have succeeded in *registering thought waves* on an instrument similar to a radio receiver, proving that thought is vibration and can be registered by a properly attuned receiving instrument. Up to date all attempts to develop an instrument that will register disease waves from human blood have failed altho claims have been made of its accomplishment.

Such an instrument is highly desirable but may never be devised that will register the infinitely delicate, varied vibrations of the pathologies in the blood as accurately as the nervous system registers them. Interferences and uncertainties assocated with *electrionic diagnosis* are so great that such a registering instrument as well as a tel-e-thot registering mechanism, would be welcomed by all investigators in the field.

Radio transmission of sound became possible when a mechanical means of registering extremely delicate vibrations of distant sounds was discovered. Sounds of the human voice produced in Chicago have been transmitted to Sydney. In *like* manner similar waves emitted from the brain are transmitted. Evidence that brain vibrations are occasionally received at great distances can be proved altho conditions necessary for conscious reception of these thot waves are difficult to secure under present conditions. Tel-e-thot is destined to become an exact science altho scientific research in this field has scarce begun.

Tel-e-thot was first announced as a science in 1917, where several interesting demonstrations were made during a series of lectures at Nevada, Missouri.

The term *"Telethot"* is a hybrid in derivation. The *original* derivation of *"telepathy"* was TELE (*far*) and PATHY (*feeling*) but since "absent treatment" has been abundantly demonstrated in recent years (tho the field is infested by charlatans) it seems better to substitute a *new* term when the vague beginnings of a science have been superseded by an organized system (as in the case of chemistry); it seems best to restrict the term "telepathy" to the *health* phase of tel-e-thot deriving the term (as were the terms homeopathy, osteopathy, et cetera) from PATHE (*disease*); *telepathy* meaning—then *thought from one or more persons.*

It was true in the long ago that the "prayer of the righteous availeth much" and can be still true since we have learned *how* to apply the *natural laws* that govern it.

Luther Burbank, able and honest scientist, avowed his belief in the influence of mind as a source of health and disease. Every physician knows that the mind has a large influence in inducing health. When the masses understand this law so that *one* set of persons especially qualified shall unitedly hold the thot of health, happiness, prosperity for mankind while the rest place themselves in receptive attitude, what wonders may not be accomplished.

Darwin, in his "Origin of Species," relates how in many instances several minds had been engaged on the same important scientific investigation at the same time. During the time of his investigation on the origin of species other scientists were likewise extensively engaged upon the subject.

It happened that the collateral work of himself and of Alfred Russell was announced before the same scientific

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The judgment contained in that word "DOOM," reappearing three times in succession, came as a climax to a series of revelations concerning the world-overturning, or the destruction of Roman civilization first, then of other civilizations, and afterward of the planet itself; for all unknown to science or to the earth's inhabitants, our planet is dying as is our neighbor, Mars, only the earth is not in so advanced a state of dissolution as is the Martian sphere.

The Meaning

Just what is meant, in detail, by this mighty warning given from heaven in so miraculous a way?

To be brief and exact (in outline), the day of doom spoken of by God to Esdras in II. Esdras, 7, 43, has come, and the earth planet with all its evolutionary product, its civilizations, its malignant reign of brute force, its material elements, is undergoing a process of disintegration and dissolution caused by the unseen ignition of atmospheric, elementary structural and other primary fluids, such as magnetic, electric, gaseous, and all radio-active substances, or by a stupendously potent invisible agent, one hitherto unknown and undreamed of by science, or by members of church or state of Christendom.

A Deaf Ear Turned to Prophecies.

I had been shown in many great visions, beginning in 1902, that the entire world system was to be destroyed, all Gentile governments overturned, orthodox ecclesiasticism to become extinct, the top to become the bottom, the bottom to become the top, in life everywhere, and that all those things that sensualized, carnally-drunken humanity valued and thought worth while were to be destroyed, and that new values—moral and spiritual values—were to be substituted for the old swinish things; and, moreover, that Gentile civilization was to become extinct and to become so by God's decree.

In 1902 I had printed in a pamphlet in San Francisco the prophecy that the great economic and political crisis would begin in the year 1914, and have that printed matter now to show as proof.

I prophesied the San Francisco earthquake in 1905, but owing to the selfishness of those to whom I made it known the warning was not given out as it should have been. I had been shown from heaven that San Francisco was to be destroyed, and was told to warn the people. For this purpose I left my home in the mountains to visit Dr. Albert Hiller, a well known physician and a deep student of religions. He had a large house, also an office, on Sutter Street. He was particularly interested in Vedantism and had entertained for a year the Hindoo teacher, Swami Ram. This was in the autumn of 1905.

The day I arrived at his home I told Dr. Hiller of the prophecy of the destruction of San Francisco by earthquake and fire and also told him of the overturning of the world-system and the great tribulation that was coming. He at once telephoned to Mr. and Mrs. Emelyn Lewys, also deep students of religious philosophy, and the President of the Society for Psychical Research.

They came in the evening, and to them I repeated the grave warning. Besides the guests, there were present Dr. and Mrs. Hiller and Mrs. Hiller's sister. After I had explained the near destruction of the city I told Dr. Hiller that I had no connection with the press and I wished him to put the prophecy forth for me. But he objected and said that such a startling prophecy would cause thousands to leave the city and that as a result great property damage and financial loss would be done to the city.

I, being sensitive, did not follow my feelings and go directly to the newspapers, as I should have done, but returned to my home.

I also requested my husband, Ernst Benninghoven, to give the warning to his friends in the city. He did so, and among them were William de Roden Pos, the then pastor of the Swedenborg Church on O'Farrel Street, San Francisco, who is now living in the city, and a Dr. Nellie Beighly, Prof. Vander Naillen, and some members of the Swedenborg Church. But not one of them believed that the earthquake would come as I had told them. When it did come, however, as I had predicted it would do, all those people who had been warned and disbelieved were among the heaviest sufferers.

Dr. Hiller's two great houses on Sutter Street were wrecked by the earthquake and afterward burned to the ground, one house being that in which I had delivered to him the great prophecy. Very shortly afterward Dr. Hiller became ill and suddenly passed from earth life.

Mr. William de Roden Pos, the pastor, who had refused to tell his congregation that the disaster was coming, as he had been requested to do, lost everything he had except the clothes he stood in, and to all the others similar misfortune came.

After the great catastrophe the newspapers complained because no one had warned the city of the awful calamity that had come so suddenly upon it.

A Vision of the End of New York

On Aug. 29, 1907, when caught up in spirit into the realm above the earth, I beheld the sudden and complete destruction of the modern Sodom—New York City. (Published San Jose, in pamphlet now in print, in 1908.)

I beheld a great shudder rocking the entire Atlantic Coast from Newfoundland to the Gulf, but the center of it was Manhattan Island and the New Jersey coast.

First, I beheld a vast swirl in the air and then a mighty whirlwind of spiritual breath substance standing over New York City, and, as the whirlwind, like a mighty cyclonic twister, increased in fury and violence, or as its spiral motion became incredibly rapid, the earth's crust began to quiver, slowly at first, then more and more rapidly (there was but one awful shock) until the land began to subside and with a terrific rocking, sickening motion, it sank out of sight.

In a few seconds' time, or less time than it takes to write it, the great commercial city, with its skyscraping monsters, its millions of sensual, money-grabbing inhabitants and one-fifth of the world's gold (in bullion) sank forever beneath the waves of the old Atlantic Ocean, and soon, where the giant city, with all its insolence and depravity, its loves and hates, its hopes and fears, had flung defiance to the defenseless and just, the waters flowed calmly over the spot, leaving not a trace or a sign that a city once had stood there. Adjacent portions of the coast of the island on either side also disappeared forever from view. Steamships and shipping craft anchored in the bay were caught in the violent suction of the mighty, swirling waters and, like floating leaves, were carried with the land and its increment into what seemed to be a great hole in the floor of the ocean. It is a matter of scientific record "that vast areas of land of New York State and the Atlantic Coast have been above water for ages and then submerged. And the same land has been elevated again and covered with vegetation and giant trees. Thus, the excavators of the New York Board of Water Supply have dug down into forests of vast antiquity—in fact, the first large trees known. But three epochs have been discovered. Thus a forest would grow and then the land would sink and be covered during centuries by ocean sediment. An upheaval came, new forests grew during many ages and sank again. So far three huge

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The Radiant Messenger

¶ On The Threshold of Two Worlds

By JOHN MORTLOCK



COLONEL ARDEN, a handsome, white-haired old soldier was telling a ghost story. It happened to be a very harrowing and creepy tale, and the Colonel told it well, with evident enjoyment. His three listeners followed him with great interest; their faces looked white and startled, in the glow from the fire. At the conclusion of the tale, Mrs. Arden shuddered, and glanced about the room with apprehension. "How horrible! I shan't sleep a wink tonight." Their daughter Betty, curled up on a cushion at the Colonel's feet, laughingly remarked: "If we hear any blood-curdling screams from Mother's room, we'll know that the Green Spectre is after her." "I can't help it," answered Mrs. Arden. "This sort of a story always makes me nervous." The fourth member of the group, a dark, rather serious young man of about thirty, remained silent, gazing absently into the fire.

"You are very quiet, Harry," said Betty. "Has the Green Spectre frightened you, too?"

Harry Walton roused himself from his reverie with a start.

"I beg your pardon. What did you say?"

Betty repeated her question, "Has the Green Spectre given you the creeps? You sit there gazing into the fire with such an absent look on your face."

"No, it hasn't frightened me. But the story is something like an experience I had two months ago," answered Harry.

"Oh, do tell us about it, Harry!" exclaimed Betty excitedly.

"Yes indeed, we are most anxious to hear about it," added the Colonel.

Harry turned to the Colonel, "Colonel, do you believe in the continuation of life after death?"

"Yes—I suppose so," answered the Colonel in surprise. "I haven't thought much about it. Why do you ask?"

"Because," answered Harry, "it has a great deal to do with this thing that happened to me."

Mrs. Arden shivered. "I think I'd die of fright if I ever saw a spirit."

The Colonel rose from his chair, and brought out his best cigars.

"Take one of these, my boy, and let us hear this yarn of yours. A good story always deserves a good cigar."

Harry refused the cigar, and continued to gaze dreamily into the fire, his thoughts a thousand miles away.

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Colonel and Mrs. Arden drew their chairs a little closer, and settled themselves more comfortably. Betty, her eyes sparkling with excitement, perched herself on the arm of her father's chair. The three of them waited expectantly for Harry to begin.

The flickering light from the fire peopled the room with fantastic moving shadows that danced on the walls, and lurked in the dark corners. The wind, which had been blowing steadily, now came in fitful gusts, rising to a moan like that of a lost soul, then dying away again into silence.

Finally Harry broke the silence.

"I think you have heard me speak of Jimmy Doane. Jimmy and I were chums, first in high school, then on through college. We roomed together, took the same courses, and did the same things. We were inseparable, Jimmy was the best friend I ever had.

"For the last five years we have not seen very much of each other. He went into partnership with his father in Boston, while I came up here to Pine Mountain to live.

"Two months ago, I received a letter from Boston, saying that Jimmy was ill. But apparently it wasn't considered serious, and being busy at the time, I put off writing as a person will sometimes, intending to write later. Well, I didn't . . . ."

Harry faltered, his voice broke, as though he were moved by some deep emotion. After a pause he continued, his voice sinking almost to a whisper.

"ON the twenty-fourth of last November, I went to bed as usual in my room at Pine Lodge.

"I can't tell you just how it happened, but I was suddenly conscious of a sort of detached feeling. I mean to say, that I felt I was away from my body, and I knew that it lay asleep on my bed at Pine Lodge.

"I did not know where I was. I seemed to be wandering in the midst of a dense fog. Gradually the fog grew thinner, and began to lift. As it cleared away, I discovered to my surprise that I was in Jimmy's bedroom. At first I could not see clearly; the light dazzled my eyes.

"As I became more accustomed to the light, and was able to distinguish the various objects in the room, the first thing I noticed was the bed which stood in one corner.

"Jimmy lay on the bed, apparently asleep. I called to him two or three times, but he did not answer. This surprised me, because he was always a light sleeper, so I called again. Still no answer. It struck me suddenly that the boy looked very white and still, and scarcely breathed.

"Alarmed at this, I went over to the bed, and shook him violently but he didn't move. I called him again and again, and still there was no answer.

"There came over me the sensation that some one was standing just behind me. Startled, I turned quickly 'round, but I saw nothing. Still the uncanny feeling remained, the impression of an unseen presence near me, that I could neither see nor touch. It moved away from me, and I did not feel it so distinctly, but I knew that it was still in the room with me.

"Panic seized me, and I looked about the room in dread that this thing would spring out upon me from some corner. I searched the room, looking under the bed, in the closet, and in every place that a person could have hidden. Of course I found nothing. Just as I had made up my mind that it was all imagination, I felt the impression of a strong and powerful personality standing by the head of the bed watching me.

"As I watched, I saw a faint and shadowy outline appear, which took human shape, and slowly grew clearer and more substantial, until the solid figure of a man stood by the bedside looking at me."

"What was he like?" whispered Betty.

"Beautiful is the only word that describes his appearance. He was tall and fair, and a sort of radiance emanated from his body. He was clad in a golden tunic, reaching to the knees. His arms and legs were bare, his feet shod with jeweled sandals that sparkled in the light. A wreath of white roses crowned his head."

"What did you do?" asked Mrs. Arden breathlessly.

"I was too frightened to do anything. I remained rooted to the spot on which I stood.

"The man looked right at me, and smiled in a friendly manner. He leaned over the bed and looked at Jimmy, and, after a pause, placed his hand upon his head and called to him quietly. Jimmy stirred, and smiled in his sleep, as though his dreams were happy ones. The stranger waited a moment, and then called again.

"Jimmy opened his eyes, and lay motionless with a puzzled expression on his face, as though trying to recall some half-forgotten memory. After a few moments he sat up, and looked about the room as if he saw something strange and unfamiliar about his surroundings. Suddenly he caught sight of the man who stood by the bedside watching him. Jimmy stared at this strange being with mingled awe and wonder.

"'Who are you?'

"'I am a friend of yours,' answered the stranger with a reassuring smile.

"'What!'

"'There is nothing to fear, Jimmy, I am the Guide.'

"'What do you want?' asked Jimmy.

"'I have come to take you to your mother; she is waiting for you,' answered the Guide.

"Jimmy stared at him with increasing bewilderment.

"'What do you mean? My mother is dead!'

"'You must believe what I say, your mother is waiting for you.'

"Jimmy looked at the Guide in silence, not knowing what it all meant. Finally he put his hand to his head.

"'I must be dreaming, that is why everything is so queer today.'

"The Guide placed his hand upon Jimmy's shoulder, and looked into his eyes. The aura that surrounded him grew brighter; he seemed to project some force or power 'round the bewildered boy on the bed.

"'Jimmy, old boy, this is not a dream. You have left your earth body, you are now what you would call dead.'

"Jimmy remained motionless for some time, held by the gaze of those quiet, steady eyes. Then, with an effort, he drew himself away.

"'No, no; I'm not dead; I can't be dead!'

"He put his hand up to his face, and felt it, then jumped out of the bed, and stood on his feet.

"'Why, I still have a body, I'm just the same as I was yesterday!'

"'No, Jimmy; you're not the same,' answered the Guide. 'This is not the body you used on the earth plane; you have left that body for good. You now stand on the threshold of the Spirit Spheres.'

"Suddenly the wall in front of him became luminous and transparent, like fine gauze, and then disappeared from view.

"In place of it we saw a great white road that led onward without a bend or turn, as far as the eye could reach. On the far horizon the road disappeared in a soft, golden light.

"Up and down this road passed a great multitude of people of various ages. All were clad in robes of soft

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MAN'S Greatest CURSE



¶ *By* EFFA DANELSON

THE greatest curse that has befallen man is the curse of fear. No other thought causes so much disaster as fear. Fear and hate are destructive words. Love is a constructive word. Fear, Hate and Love are elements, comprising the body of man. These three elements are constantly in activity. They have the power to create. They have the power to say, *this* way or *that* way shall you go; this, or that, shall you *do*. You are given your choice; if you fear, fear possesses you. If you hate, hate possesses you; if you love, love possesses you. Love and Hate are the gods of your being; hate and love hold men as their slaves. Fear is the robber of Life.

The biblical story of creation has its inception in fear. The first recorded words in the history of the creation are the threats which strikes terror to the hearts of the believer. It is the monument that overshadows all else.

The offspring of fear is weakness. The offspring of Love is strength. The offspring of Hate is revenge. Words are not meaningless; they are living entities, they transmit themselves.

Analyze the human mind and designate, if possible, the one great fear that dominates all else. Man is not afraid of Life in the accepted term; he is afraid of Life *beyond* the change called Death. Man does not fear tomorrow or anticipation of its thousand years, but fear of that fatal question of what lies *beyond* death, stops his very heart beats.

The mystery of death has never been cleared up because men have been afraid to think—afraid to discuss the question. Destructive terror has robbed mankind of strength and power to explore. It seems strange that men and women dare not question the authority of the church and read the Bible with an understanding mind and settle the question for themselves. Men and women, who are so enlightened in other questions that concern mankind, and who are creative along *other* lines, stand with bated breath and blanched face at the door of death and say unto each other and to themselves—We dare not search into the beyond. Stranger still is the fact, that in all these aeons of time that man has been witnessing the phenomena of death, *so few have dared* to search sufficiently to understand the life beyond the veil. The souls being prayed for in your churches today, dare not lift the veil, dare not think nor reason, dare not try to let their loved ones know that they have found Life after death. They do not manifest because they fear *that* power that held them in such bondage *while they were in the "physical" body*. Fear is the monster that robs you of the best there is in you and robs you of opportunities that Life holds for you. The fear that is instilled into the heart of the little child makes it helpless to battle with the world, distorts its mind and makes reasoning impossible.

That *mythical* story of the creation has long stood on belief—*few* dare deny it—yet every fibre of their beings says *"It is not true"*—history denies these things, yet few dare say "I do not believe it." Science proves it is not true and yet the world does not accept the findings of science because the *fear* of that life beyond the grave has so seared their souls.

Men are not afraid of each other; they are no longer afraid of storms; they will compete with one another in business, fight each other with the sword, rob each other and are not afraid, but when death appears they stand in terror, *because they dare not think.*

Life after death has been portrayed to them in *two colors,* black and white. They are not sure of the one and they shrink in terror from the other. They do not know how to gain the one or how to escape the other and so, in mortal fear, they walk thru life, not knowing their fate from day to day.

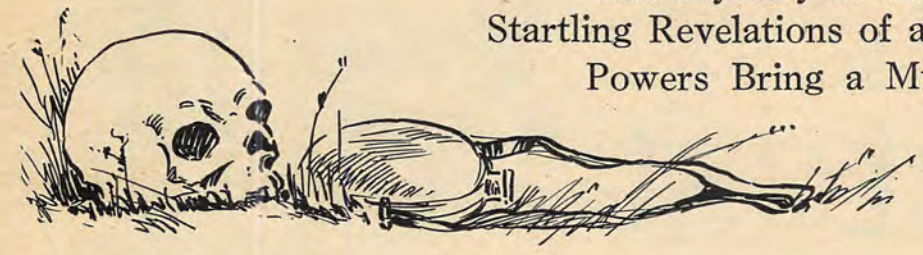
How wonderful it would be if this fear of an avenging God, this promise of Heaven, this fear of a Devil, this threat of a Hell, could be wiped forever from the book of Life! What wonderful things man might accomplish! what wonderful associations men might have, one with the other! What great seaports could be builded; what wonderful cities could be laid; what beautiful lives our children could have *if this monster that stands ever ready to rob the little child of its inheritance could be overthrown and wiped out forever.*

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DEALINGS WITH THE LIVING DEAD

The Release of Dan Sheldon

The Mystery of the Flaming Dagger
Startling Revelations of a Mystic Whose Psychic Powers Bring a Murderer to Justice



By ALICE PICKARD

YEARS and years ago, when Boston was only a small town, Dan Sheldon, vagrant, suddenly disappeared. His disappearance was idle gossip for a few days until a large white house on the outskirts of town was suddenly taken possession of by spirits. The people living there moved immediately and the house remained vacant for ten years. No one would rent the place and no one would pass the house after midnight. All were afraid of the flaming dagger.

A Spiritualist, John Boulden, moved into Boston about this time and having heard about the haunted house decided to visit the place. He hired a horse and buggy and drove out there one evening. Walking up and down in front of the house about midnight he heard the usual groaning, the rattling of a chain being drawn over a bare floor and he saw the flicking of a light. "I'll say the place is haunted," he muttered aloud as he walked over to the front gate to where he had the horse tied to a hitching post. "The spook living here is a busy fellow and I should like to interview him but not tonight."

Climbing into the buggy he picked up the reins and was about to drive away when a strange sight caught his eye. It was a flaming dagger. Poised in midair it lingered there for a moment, then fell to the floor.

"What could this strange phenomenon mean?" asked Mr. Boulden of himself. "Had it anything to do with the disappearance of Dan Sheldon? No, that could not be. Dan Sheldon so he had learned had never traveled this road. Could it be then that someone living there had met with a death other than that which was natural?" These questions and many others danced through the Spiritualist's mind on his way back to town.

In the light of a full June moon on the following night, John Boulden sat beside the driver of an old farm wagon. He had visited several of his friends earlier in the day and finally succeeded in urging eight of them to join him on his night's adventure. The driver beside him was one of the party and the remaining seven sat on boxes or upon the hay-covered floor of the wagon. The drive was a long slow affair and the team now and then broke into a jog-trot at the driver's call. John Boulden looked at his watch. It was almost eleven. They turned a bend in the road and there a short distance away was the old white house.

Fumbling in his vest pocket Mr. Boulden brought forth a key which he had secured from a local real estate office and thrust it into the rusty lock, he turned the handle and the door swung open. The spirit seeker led his friends into the front room and taking a candle and some matches from his coat pocket he struck a light. Going to the mantel over the fireplace he let some of the melted wax drop on the marble and then he stuck the candle there.

"Oh!" exclaimed one of the ladies who had just come over and stood by the Spiritualist, "here's a dagger and it's all covered with dried blood."

"That is probably dust you see."

"No! It is not," corrected the lady.

The Spiritualist moved to the other end of the mantel and examined the object himself. The dagger lay just as if it had been put there the night before. There was not a speck of dust on it but the mantel was covered with dust. Then remembering the apparition of the night before he exclaimed:

"We must not touch it. Come, we must all sit here in a circle on the floor and wait for the Spirit or Spirits."

Four men and as many women

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HUMAN SACRIFICES

Through The Ages

Human sacrifice, the deliberate ceremonial killing of a human being, which has been practiced by nearly every race that has advanced beyond savagery, is not yet wholly extinct. This fact was brought to public notice last week by dispatches from Burma, which told of the efforts of the British governor, Sir Spencer Harcourt, Butler, to abolish the practice in the Nagas district of the not yet subdued segment of the mysterious east which he rules.

Recently, in a tour of the province, Sir Spencer found that the natives still clung to tribal ceremonies that have been under official interdict for over a century. He insisted that all slaves be freed in accordance with law, and human sacrifices be stopped. But the old tribal customs continued to hold sway. So two government detachments have set out from Putao to enforce the edicts.

Burma, Kiplings land of the tinkly temple bells and the road to Mandalay, has been slow to accept the ideas of the west. Like India, of which it is a province, Burma has a civilization older than that of its conquerors, and it has held to the idea of propitiating the gods through human sacrifice along with other, more humani-

BEST TRUE STORIES OF THIS MONTH

The Pirates Legacy

Adventures in Psychical Research
Amazing Verification of a Pirate's Treasure
Revealed by his Spirit Manifestation

By F. ALLEN BURT



AS AN advertising man and a teacher of advertising I have always had a keen interest in psychology. Some years ago this interest developed into a thirst for knowledge in the realm of psychic phenomena. That thirst was soon satisfied, and today I am willing to let those who find solace in so-called "spirit communication" go their way undisturbed, feeling that for myself there are wonders a'plenty right here on earth to command my whole time and thought.

During my brief delving into the psychic, however, I came upon one "manifestation" so curious, and so thoroughly well vouched for that I believe it is of sufficient interest to record.

My informant is a successful business man from down near Eastport, Maine, who has spent a lot of time and money running down the claims of mediums, disproving many of them, yet finding one whose claim he has been forced, at least partially, to accept. Still a skeptic, my friend gave me this story, the truth of which he vouches for, as a phenomenon beyond his power of comprehension or of disproof.

Lest you may mentally endeavor to "classify" me, scientific or otherwise, said my friend, let me say right at the start that I do not believe in "spooks." Neither do I belong to any society which believes in "spooks." I have attended many "seances," and as a result of considerable study of the matter am convinced that most "mediums" are frauds—not intentionally dishonest, probably, but in most cases self-deluded into giving information which emanates directly from their own sub-conscious minds rather than from any so-called "spirtiual" source.

Yet I am forced to admit that "there are more things in heaven and earth" than are compassed in most men's philosophy, as the following account most surely attests.

First of all, let me give a bit of my own background as a possible clue to the unravelling of this mysterious occurrence. Born and bred on the Maine coast, sired and grand-sired by sturdy old deep sea captains of the clipper ship and wind jammer days, filled with a love of the sea and endowed with a vivid imagination, it was little wonder that as a boy I became deeply interested in the colorful lives and adventures of those early buccaneers who made many lonely coves and inlets along our bleak shores hiding places for their great stores of loot.

Just where these hiding places were, has been the topic of many a cracker-barrel conference all up along the Maine coast. Many a company has been chartered to locate Captain Kidd's treasure only to go broke without uncovering so much as a doubloon. And many a day did we boys play "Pirate" in the old "Pirate's Cove" and dig industriously without reward.

As I grew towards manhood my love of the mysterious stayed by me. For some reason now forgotten I became vastly interested in the proceedings and reports of the Psychical Research Society and kindred organizations, and I learned to view the claims of mystics and mediums with contempt. The seances which I attended only heightened this feeling of disbelief. A successful packing factory gave me the means and the time to push my investigations until at 45, I had become a confirmed skeptic and one of the bitterst enemies of all believers in spiritism.

Then, in the summer of 1919, I received a jolt which nearly shattered my whole philosophy of ghostly manifestation.

It was on the train to Boston

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A RELIGIOUS SURVIVAL
To The Present Day

tarian, traditions. It is not very many years since the people of India, tho under British rule, still made human sacrifices in the form of the suttee; the burning of the wives of a departed ruler on the funeral pyre after the ruler's death.

The difficulties encountered by English administrators in their efforts to root out a barbarous practice firmly intrenched in the religion and life of the people, illustrate the immense hold this idea has had on nearly all peoples, in all the ages of the world.

Human sacrifice is linked by Sir James G. Frazer with the beginnings of agriculture in paleolithic time. He has written that the first tillers of the soil felt the need of propitiating the nebulously conceived powers of the mysterious earth and air at seed time, so that a good harvest might be assured. Then the idea of giving the lives of victims as offerings was born, and with it the idea of an especially purified class to conduct the ceremonies—the first priests. Frazer traces the beginning of the idea of sacrament to the eating of a portion of the victim's body at a ceremonial feast, so that every one might share in the sacrificial benefits.

Throughout the ages men have

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Peculiarities of Human Nature

By Alice B. Palmer

DESPITE the facts set forth concerning the natural forces of human nature, there are many of the so-called "unnatural."

The following incidents have actually taken place in my experience of life within the past twenty-five years.

While visiting relatives in Michigan I made several new acquaintances; among them a charming young lady of seventeen. She was very popular, being gifted with the art of elocution, which made her an excellent entertainer.

For some reason or other she was absolutely devoid of fear. Consequently she was the object of all sorts of trickery in hopes of awakening a spark of fear within her. But nothing phased Louise. She could laugh when the rest of us were frightened most to death.

One night the boys loaned a skeleton from a doctor friend and placed it in Louise's bed. Hearing no commotion from her room, they thought they had again failed, so retired very much disappointed. But when she did not appear in the morning as usual, the girls went in to see what had happened. There was Louise sitting up in bed talking and playing with the skeleton!

There was a cry of surprise and they shouted, "We give up, Louise, we give up; nothing can scare you." But to their horror, they soon learned that she was a raving lunatic. The skeleton had capped the climax. She is now in an asylum for the insane.

This next incident occurred in a small country town in the Fox River Valley of Illinois. In this case, the victim was a young man of twenty-one. He, too, like Louise, was afraid of nothing. The whole town had given up trying to frighten him.

One evening at a social gathering someone offered a ten dollar bill to the one who would go over to the little church on the hill at midnight and bring back a coin which had been placed upon the forehead of a man lying in state. Our nerves had all been played upon by telling of ghost stories, so naturally, we did not all speak at once. But we were quite surprised, when Frank, the fearless, was silent. What did it mean?

He suddenly arose from our midst and calmly walked over to the lonely church, up the long gravel pathway and down the long dark aisle to the altar.

We waited, breathlessly, but Frank did not return. What could it mean? We all rushed over. There we found him, lying dead, at the foot of the casket. In his right hand, tightly clinched, was the silver coin he had risked his life to return. Sudden fear must have overtaken him as he turned to leave for his coat sleeve had caught upon the handle. This goes to prove that the subconscious mind evidently is filled with the primitive instincts of fear, but is held in check more or less through sheer will power.

We have heard a great many things concerning children who inherit the drink habit from their parents; but this is an extreme case which actually occurred in the New England States some twenty-five years ago.

There was a very wealthy family who lived for years in one of those old Colonial mansions near Brooklyn, New York. They were a family of habitual drinkers for generations back.

Finally in the last generation, they had a son who was born, intoxicated. He was paralyzed from head to foot and absolutely helpless. His senses never developed and he did nothing but grow; he grew like a weed. When he was ten years of age, his father died, from sheer horror of the thing; while his mother, who devoted her life to him, dragged him through the years until he was twenty-one and still a helpless infant. She finally broke down from the strain and within a few weeks, the son died. After several years in a sanitarium, the mother grew strong again and later married a man who had been waiting ten years for her release. She spent many years of happiness in the old homestead; and when she passed on the property went out of the hands of four generations and is now one of the old Colonial ruins of the East.





Many who read this last incident may be skeptical as to the truth of it. Nevertheless it is a fact; and occurred right in the heart of the City of Chicago.

There was a man who had been weak and sickly all his life. No one seemed able to diagnose his case, and he was unable to gain any permanent relief. He married and got along the best he could, until suddenly without any warning, he was stricken partially blind. There seemed to be a mist before his eyes; he rubbed them and blinked thinking something must have blown into them but all to no avail. He walked along, thus, for a few yards and then he began to notice that there was sort of a veil drawn over the faces here and there in the crowd. This puzzled him and he alighted the first street car for home. But 'twas the same here. As he sat looking about at the various passengers some had this peculiar mist drawn over their faces.

He reached home and dropped upon the couch in a dazed condition. His wife, very much alarmed, called in the family physician but he was nonplussed and unable to account for it.

As the doctor sat looking at him, he gazed up into his face and Lo and behold! if there wasn't the strange veil over the physician's countenance. Letting out a wild scream he dropped back into a heavy sleep.

The doctor left and the next day, the man was apparently better, but in a weakened condition. Then a few days later the doctor suddenly passed away and the man connected the occurrence with the strange mist which had formed over his face. It seems that he was able through this peculiar phenomenon of nature to fore-see the doom of his loved ones as well as strangers.

As the months passed on he became a physical wreck and his hair turned white. He hardly dared look at his wife and children nor in a mirror, lest he might see it on his own face.

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The CIPHER KEY To The *Bible*

By Burton Laurence

A—1	G—7	N—40	T—100
B—2	H—8	O—50	U—110
C—3	I—9	P—60	V—120
D—4	K—10	Q—70	W—240
E—5	L—20	R—80	X—130
F—6	M—30	S—90	Y—140

Z—150

The letters "G" and "J" have the same number —7. The number of the word: Mind is 83; which reversed is the number of the word Bible—38.

The number of each of the words: Stars and Atlantis—361. Stars 361 plus Collision—291—equal 652, which reversed is: Holy, 218, plus Bible—38 —equal—256.

The numbers of: The—113—Holy—218—Bible—38—equal 369, which reversed is equaled by: The 113—Cryptogram—551—of—56—The—113—Flood —130—equal 963. The digits form the numbers, 936, and 693. The—113—Atlantis—361—Golden Age—139—Pyramid—324—minus 1, equal—936. And the —113 Divine—187—Plan—121—of —56—The—113—Ages—103 equal 693.

The numbers of Adam—36—plus Eve—130—equal—166. The numbers of Hiding—77—Place—89—equal—166, which reversed is Pyramid—324—plus Sphinx—337—equal—661. The digits form the number of—Golden—Age, 139, History 477, equal 615. The number of the word: History reversed is equaled by: The — 113 — Land — 65 — Center—233—of—56—The 113—Earth —194—equal 774.

The number of the word: Age, is 13. The two words: Ideal, 39—Life 40, equal 79. They form the numbers—1379. Equaled by: Labor—153—Fire —100—Water 426—Steam—226, Electricity — 474 — equal — 1379 — which with a decimal point, 13.79 is the area in acres covered by the Great Pyramid. The—113—Great—193—Pyramid —324—equal 630. And secret—283—of 56—Eternal—251—Life—40 — equal 630.

The original height of the Great Pyramid was—485—feet. The numbers of passing — 279 — Comet—188—equal—485. The numbers of: The—113—Pyramid—324—equal 437, which reversed is — Earth — 194—Tipping—285—over—255, equal—734. And: The —113—Lost—260—Atlantis—361, equal —734.

The number of each of the words: Gizeh and Heaven is—179—which reversed is: Atlantis — 361 — Golden — Age—139—Treasure—471—equal—971.

The diagonal of the Pyramid base in feet is: 1069.457. The numbers of: The—113—Human—189—Spirit—348—Is — 99 — Immortal—320—equal—1069. The number of the word: Gravity is: 457, which reversed is: Last — 211 — days—235—of—56—The—113 — Golden — Age — 139 — equal 754. The digits form the number of the words of the sentence: The—113—Time—144—of—56, The—113—End—49—equal—475.

Atlantis—361—Solved—289 — The — 113—Germ—122—of—56 — Life — 40—equal 981, which reversed is the number of the word: Human, and the length of the Sphinx in feet—189. The number of the words: "I—9—Am—31 —The—113 — Door — 184 — equal the number of Sphinx—337.

The number, 1069.457—times the Bible symbol of the Earth—4—equal 4277828. The first three digits are the number of the word: Pre—determined —427—According to astronomical calculations: "Ten thousand years, B. C., the longitude of the Earth's perhelion was: 78 degrees and 28 minutes."

The latitude of the Great Pyramid—is 59 deg. 28 min., 51 sec. The numbers placed in line form the number 592.851, which read backwards is Devil —158; and, Ruler—295. The number read forward is: Jesus Christ—592. And: Atlantis—361 — Golden — Age—139—Laws—351—equal 851.

The numbers of Adam—36—Eve—130 — Cain—53—Abel—28—equal—247, which reversed is: The—113—Philiton —305 Pyramid 324—equal 742.

The number of the Adam family placed in line is 361.305.328. The number of Atlantis is 361, of Philiton—305, of Hopeless—328. Of Earth—154—plus Comet 188 equal 382. The numbers of Mohamet 224. Mohammed—158—equal 382.

The digits in the number of the word: Pyramid, 324, form the number of the Brahman God: Padma—96—Devi—138, equal 234.

The number of each of the words: Tide and Death is: 118—which reversed equaled by: The—113—World —394—Calamity—304—equal 811. The digits form the number of the word: Koran—181.

The digits in the number of the two words: Jesus Christ — 592 — form the number of the three words: Life—40—

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Astrological DAILY GUIDE *for January*

By Haasan Osiris

1. Partly good.
2. Mixed influences operate. Be careful.
3. Doubtful.
4. Good for most affairs.
5. Avoid haste.
6. Unfavorable.
7. Good for all affairs of importance.
8. Uncertain. Be quiet.
9. Unfavorable.
10. Partly good.
11. Good business day.
12. An excellent day. Keep busy.
13. Unfavorable for business.
14. Partly good for all affairs. Go slow.
15. Mixed aspects predominate. Be careful.
16. Same as yesterday.
17. Same as yesterday.
18. Adverse influences rule the day. Be careful.
19. Good until noon. After then be careful.
20. Unfortunate. Avoid quarrels and travel.
21. Not especially good for important deals.
22. Rather unfavorable.
23. Somewhat good for usual duties.
24. Excellent business prospects.
25. Not favorable for important things.
26. Same as yesterday.
27. Same as yesterday.
28. Good business day, but avoid haste and waste.
29. Fairly good for usual interests only.
30. Fairly good.
31. Forenoon somewhat doubtful. Afternoon good.

MY STARS—AND WHAT THEY TELL ME

BY HAASAN OSIRIS

Marriage and the Zodiacal Signs

Foreword

WHAT appears to be one of the most important questions of most married and single people who have their horoscopes cast is the marriage problem. It is however not possible to give minute marriage information in the general horoscope, as a great deal naturally depends upon the planets in each personal constellation and their relative positions to each other in the birth-chart. However it is possible to glean from a majority of horoscopes after balancing and observing their general law of averages.

ARIES

THESE people having a somewhat complex nature seldom meet people of the opposite sex who thoroughly harmonize with them. Often their marriages turn out unhappily due to their liability to choose partners impulsively. Their most agreeable life-companions will however be found in Libra or Gemini. These unions usually bring the most happiness, and offspring from either of these unions are robust in health and keen and constructive in mentality. The marriage of two Aries people is often harmonious, yet the offspring are not so healthy or mentally alert.

TAURUS

IN THIS sign we often find more than one marriage of the native. The first is usually made in haste and often regretted and sometimes results in early separation or bereavement. They have an extremely sensitive love nature and are in danger of letting their heart "run away with their head" which brings on all manner of hardships later in life. The most harmonious partner for Taurus will be found under Virgo or Scorpio. Offspring of these two unions will be strong and progressive. However unions of other signs with Taurus often causes death in infancy of first born. We often find that union of Taurus and Libra is also somewhat harmonious and the off-spring somewhat healthy but delicate and need careful attention in infancy.

GEMINI

IT IS very seldom that these people marry early in life. This is greatly due to their roving changeful nature. Even though marriage seldom takes place until later in life two unions are often seen in the Gemini chart. Also much inconstancy is due in matrimonial ventures. They usually experience many love affairs all thru life. Their most harmonious partner will be found in Aries and Sagittarius. These unions produce healthy and vigorous children who will have special talents in the aritstic lines. Union of Gemini and Leo is often harmonious, yet less liable to be free from inconstancy than the first mentioned. Offspring from this union would also become excellent characters and have strong mental powers.

CANCER

MARRIAGE for these people is a hazardous step. They should not marry early in life, or at least not until they have settled down and understand the peculiarities of their nature. If they rush into matrimony they are most sure to be ill-mated and most of their lives will be filled with remorse and suffering. Their most harmonious partner will be found in Capricorn or Pisces. Offspring of these unions will become high social leaders or excellent business characters. We often find that Libra or Scorpio make excellent partners for Cancer, yet the offspring are not so progressive and are apt to be ungovernable and independent.

LEO

THESE people are also apt to be mislead in matrimony. Two marriages are frequent in this sign, one of which is very unhappy. However if they are properly mated in the first place only one marriage is probable yet much strife and trouble in married life usually follows the Leo native. Their most harmonious partner will be found in Aquarius or Aries. Offspring of these unions are strong, healthy and have especially good intellect and business ability. They are subject to choose partners who are not in the least harmonious with them as they are easily influenced by display and show, therefore they should investigate carefully before taking the "fatal" step.

VIRGO

PLACING of the affections of these people is a most difficult thing and they usually find many obstacles in their love-affairs. They take life seriously and therefore are often disappointed that their companions are not of the same turn of mind. The most harmonious partner will be found in Pisces or Aries. Offspring

of these unions will be exceptionally alert mentally and strong physically. Unions of Virgo and Aries often prove harmonious—offspring of good mental quality. Because of the artistic tendencies of Virgo their marriage should by all means come within every bound of harmony lest their entire life be made miserable. As a rule they do not marry early in life.

LIBRA

IT MAY seem a discouraging fact that more Libra people are inharmoniously married than any of the other signs, however this is mostly due to their own carelessness. These people have high ideals and seldom give enough thought to the marriage problem before entering it. They are of the bohemian temperament, and crave companionship, yet their interest in the affairs of life and their struggle to gain their ideals causes them often to choose a partner at random, thereby endangering the happiness of their entire life. The most harmonious partners will be found in Aries and Leo. Children of these unions will be either highly talented or possess great executive powers who rise to high public eminence and bring the parents honor and preferment in old age. Libra and Leo often possess good harmonious tendencies and the offspring will be highly developed on a mental plane.

SCORPIO

MORE than one marriage is common to this sign. If they marry early in life we find many matrimonial difficulties and often separation. If matrimony takes place later in life we often find early bereavement. These people are hard to suit in their affections as they are not demonstrative in their love-affairs. The most harmonious partner will be found in Taurus and Cancer. Offspring of these unions will sometimes be numerous but all of healthy and stable bodies with ordinary good mental qualities. Union of two Scorpio persons is often disastrous as is union of Scorpio and Gemini. They should choose their mates with unusual care.

SAGITTARIUS

TROUBLE and strife is usually the lot of Sagittarius natives in matrimony. They are much more successful in love-affairs than they are in actual marriage. And usually more than one marriage takes place if they marry at all. The most harmonious partners will be found in Gemini and Libra. Offspring of these unions will prove to be somewhat psychically inclined and have marvelous business instinct and adaptation. Often unions of Sagittarius and Leo are somewhat harmonious but offspring will be somewhat hard to manage or raise due to the fiery nature of both the parents.

CAPRICORN

THESE people should be careful to select a marriage partner who is on the same social plane as themselves. The intellect should also be carefully matched. The most harmonious partners will be found in Cancer or Virgo. Offspring of Capricorn and Cancer will however be the most vigorous and progressive. Capricorn and Aries is often somewhat beneficial and happy, yet the offspring of the latter two unions are not so healthy or highly inspired. Few offspring occur to the latter unions however.

AQUARIUS

AQUARIAN natives find difficulty in suiting their fancies, as they are very discriminative in selecting their lovers. And unless they use more than ordinary care will be subject to making the wrong choice. The most harmonious partners will be found in Aries or Leo. Offspring of these unions will become powerful characters in politics or general public utilities. Aquarius and Sagittarius is also very harmonious and produces a somewhat peaceful happy family with offspring having pronounced psychic ability.

PISCES

THERE is great danger of these people selecting just the opposite in matrimony from what they should. And great disasters often result in the Pisces native's life on this account. The most harmonious marriage partners will be found in Virgo or Cancer. Offspring of these unions will be strong, healthy and possess unusual progressive tendencies. They will learn fast and become successful business characters. Union of Pisces and Scorpio or Pisces and Pisces also produces happy results in most cases, and offspring are of average good physique and mentality.

Next Month

How you are influenced by the Moon

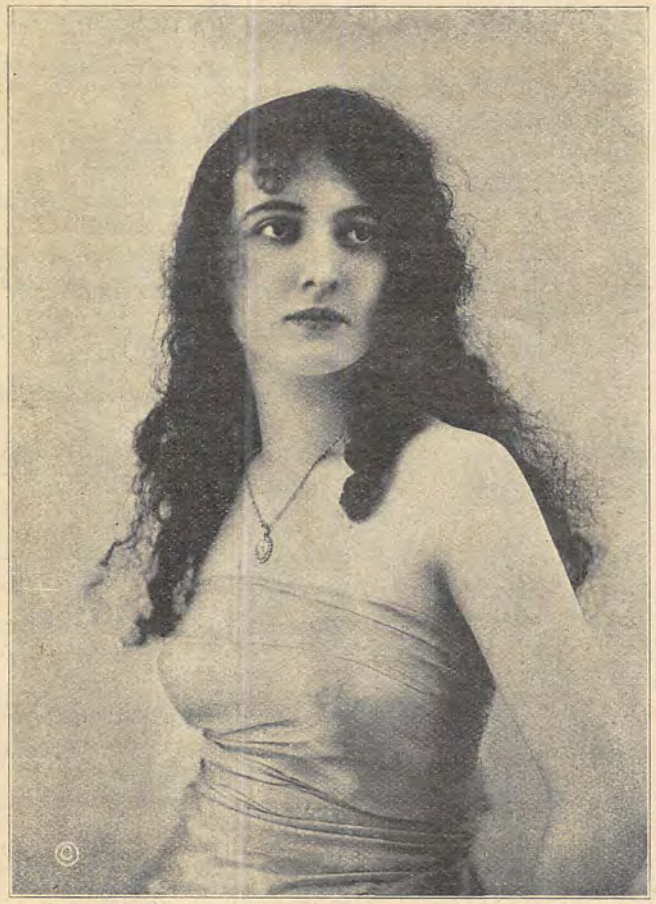
Astrological DAILY GUIDE *for February*

By Haasan Osiris

1. **Forenoon good for usual duties. Afternoon uncertain.**
2. **Rather an unimportant day. Plan nothing new.**
3. **Favorable for usual affairs, but plan no trips or changes.**
4. **Excellent business day. Accomplish as much as possible.**
5. **Attend usual business affairs until mid-afternoon, then remain quiet.**
6. **Mixed influences rule the day. Be cautious in all undertakings.**
7. **Attend to all important dealings. Keep busy.**
8. **Adverse for progressive affairs. Keep quiet as possible.**
9. **Same as yesterday.**
10. **Same as yesterday except evening is more favorable.**
11. **Mixed aspects prevail. Use caution in important things.**
12. **Avoid haste and accidents. Use careful judgment in business.**
13. **Unfortunate for general pursuits. Evening good for recreation.**
14. **Much should be accomplished today, but avoid haste and waste.**
15. **Not a pleasant day astrologically considered. Be careful.**
16. **Unfavorable for progressive affairs.**
17. **Same as yesterday.**
18. **Favorable for attending usual duties, but plan nothing important.**
19. **Excellent for all business, social and friendly affairs. Seek employment, ask favors, visit, correspond, and travel.**
20. **Unfavorable for most affairs. Best to remain quiet.**
21. **Somewhat good for usual routine work. Do not travel.**
22. **Avoid nervousness and haste or waste. Avoid accidents.**
23. **Favors all things except liquids. Beware of explosions.**
24. **Unfavorable for all important undertakings. Keep cheerful.**
25. **Avoid quarrels and disputes. Do not plan important things.**
26. **Same as yesterday.**
27. **Fairly good for usual outings, etc. Beware of accident in P. M.**
28. **Splendid for all affairs. Push business. Correspond, ask favors, etc.**

Is The Brunette

Dr. C. Wm. CHAMBERLAIN *Government Psychologist Asks* Is Lethargy Synonomous with Stupidity?





Anita Ste

"CAN you cure people of feeble mindedness?" A strikingly beautiful young woman asked me this question one day, following an appointment at my office. Her hair was raven black, her eyes were deep brown, and her skin was a clear olive tint. She was all curves, and there was that quiet poise, so common to the type. Her brow was full and concave, instead of receding, as is found in most women of the Northern states and her chin curved outward a bit, giving a softness to the profile that is typical of most artist's models. Her voice was soft, and her movements were unhurried and lacking in that aggressive sharpness and jerkiness common to the Nordic woman.

The question did not surprise me, but to assure myself that I had diagnosed the difficulty correctly, I asked her whom she was referring to as feeble minded.

"Why, I am feeble minded," she answered.

Having given thousands of psychological examinations, I need only to look at the face of an individual to rate the general intelligence, so I knew that she was a very superior type, and far above even a high grade moron, let alone feeble minded or mentally deficient.

"Who says that you are?" I asked her.

She appeared surprised that I should question it.

"Why, everybody has told me that I am half witted, or stupid, and, particularly feeble minded. My parents say that I am, my school teachers all told me so, and my friends all seem to agree."

"How far did you go in school?" I next asked.

Her answer that she had finished the ninth grade, set at rest any doubts in my mind that her face belied her intelligence. Feeble minded people don't enter high school.

This beautiful and intelligent young woman's story was typical of many to which I have listened and the misunderstanding of her condition is common enough all through the northern states. The key to the whole matter was that she had inherited the *Aryan* blood of remote ancestors, and she tended to function, mentally and physically, as *those* ancestors functioned.



Living among people, predominantly Nordic, with parents, who were blondes with the convex profile and narrow skull, she offered such a great contrast in thought, speech and action, that these Nordics put her down as "feeble minded."

I had great difficulty in convincing this young lady that she was perfectly normal, and that her "stupidity" was merely a difference in the way her mind functioned—a difference which was greatly to her advantage in many

Beautiful But Dumb?

THE ARYAN, *The Worlds Greatest Creators of Art and Philosophy compared with the Money Loving Nordic*



, Film Star

ways, while it appeared to the Nordics to be a great handicap. Her life and happiness had almost been wrecked, due to the stupidity of the Nordic parents and teachers, who failed to understand the differences between types of people.

Parents frequently bring their youngsters to me for a mental examination, believing Mary or Freddies are mentally deficient, when they only are running true to type. More often these little children, of remote Aryan descent, never get a chance to find out that they are not subnormal and they struggle through life trying to compete with their Nordic brothers and sisters, hopeless and helpless in the unequal battle.



Give this same child, with its wide skull, its deep set, dark eyes, concave profile and brunette complexion, an understanding environment, and it may produce a Darwin, a Benjamin Franklin, a Clarence Darrow, a William James, or a Herbert Spencer.

For history is filled with these "stupid" children, not only in the climate of the Southland, where they are best fitted to live, but also in the colder countries of the North among the blonde Nordics.

Whether our Nordic is willing or not to admit the intelligence of the brunette woman of Aryan physical makeup, they certainly acknowledge her beauty. Even



the Nordic artists have selected her curves as the standard of beauty, for the blonde woman, too often runs to angles.

The beauty of Southern women is proverbial. But in contrast with the vivacious, radiant, unreserved Nordic, she frequently passes for "dumb." In the United States, the low standard of literacy in the South is no secret (according to government statistics) and some Northerners are apt to question the intelligence of all who hail from there.

It is interesting, however, to note that the leading anti-evolutionists of Tennesse, are dominantly Nordic in their inheritance. They are the blood of those New England witch-burners, who, a few generations ago, crossed the Appalachian mountains into the southwest to conquer the wilderness and leave civilization behind.

As has been shown in previous articles of this series, it is certain characteristics found in the Nordic race which are responsible for most migration and pioneering.

Many thousands of years ago, in that part of Asia

The Brunette Beautiful

where now stand the great Himalayas, was the cradle of Man.

And Man was Aryan. He was a dark skinned, dark haired, brown eyed and wide headed, or *brachycephalic,* as the anthropologists would say. There were no real blondes in existence.

But there was a trace of blood in our Aryan which, later, was to produce a blue eyed, narrow headed, or *dolichocephalic* blonde. But that was to be many centuries later.



The Aryans were a pastoral race. The plow had never been invented. Work was practically unknown. Those rich, fertile valleys of Asia provided all that these shepherds needed to exist in comfort. The climate was warm and there was no need for clothing. Sheep and cattle provided all necessary food.

The Aryan needed no house or stable. He lived with his flocks and moved with them regularly to fresh pastures in that great area.

He had as many wives as he desired and loved them all. He was not interested in conquest. He had all that he wanted. The law of the tribe was simple, as there was little occasion to be selfish. If our Aryan had more of anything than his neighbor, he did not thirst for more, or try to oppress the poor or weak. He had many children and he was contented. What more could he ask for? He lived in a veritable Eden.

He was the first man.

But the time came when there was an upheaval of the earth. Mountains arose where there had been plains. The climate changed from warm to cold. Barren rocks took the place of green pastures. Multitudes of the Aryans with their flocks perished. Fertile valleys and plains had become the Himalayan range of mountains.

Many of the dark skinned tribes found themselves on the north side of the range. Others had fled to the south.

A few of those who had been driven to the north survived. These few were long-legged, short-waisted, active and more aggressive than the rest. They were able to escape the wild animals, to hustle around and find caves and places of refuge, to climb trees and search for the scarce food. Some of them, driven to desperation, were able to kill wild animals and make clothing from the skins, for warmth. Most of the survivors had long, narrow skulls and aquiline noses. No doubt, many of them, also, had lighter skins and brown or red hair, with hazel or blue eyes. This light complexion gave them a chance to take advantage of any warmth and stimulation of the sun's rays.

Never having labored for their existence, these Aryans were hard put to find food, shelter and warmth. The less better equipped, physiologically, could not survive the rigors of this life. Adaptability was not in their makeup. There had been too little forced adjustment in their history. It truly became the survival of the fittest.

Forced to find new ways of securing food, these survivors began to till the ground with sticks—and the plow was invented. The earthquakes had thrown up metals from the depths of the earth and this inventive type began to work these metals and to make tools. Truly, necessity was the mother of invention. Man labored.

He had tasted of the fruits of the tree of knowledge (experience).

It was but a bit of masculine conceit on the part of the biblical historians, to blame the earthquake and the resulting experience upon Woman. She was acclaimed inferior and man had to place the blame for his dismissal from his Eden upon somebody.

Biblical legend tells us that having eaten of the fruit, man was forced to labor and "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread." And labor, to these lethargic Aryans, was truly looked upon as a curse.

North and westward, from the forbidding mountains, migrated these long-limbed, narrow-headed blondes to become the Nordics of the present day. The process of "Natural Selection" eliminated the typical Aryan from the ranks, while those individuals, better fitted for conquest, thrived in a measure. They became the ancestors of the Semites and Babylonians of the Mediterannean, not to mention the Egyptians, Persians and the later nations.

The Trinil, Heidelberg, Neardenthal and Piltdown races were daughters of the Aryan race which migrated into Europe. Some authorities would have the *Chromagnon* a descendant of these wandering people. Undoubtedly the Teuton may trace his ancestry back to these aggressive blonde Aryans, who became offensive fighters through necessity.

As the centuries passed, and the Nordic met more and more new experiences, he was driven to new inventive powers. Weapons of warfare and defense, the building of towns (fortresses), and the making of laws were necessary. The discoveries of how to make fire, manufacture bricks, and to build bridges, were among the early steps in "civilization." Commerce, also, was born.

Meanwhile, back in Asia, remained the other Aryan tribes, which had been ousted from the Himalayan area and driven to the South and East.

The lot of these dark skinned people was somewhat different. They were able to carry on their pastoral pursuits in the hot climate. There was less necessity for adjustment. Green pastures were fairly abundant. There was little or no need for the development of inventive powers or conquest.

As the centuries passed, the Asiatic Aryans increased in population. But they were limited in their development along "civilized" lines. They entered into warfare, only when they had to compete with offshoots of their own race for pasture lands. Spreading out over Asia, they entered into those sec-

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IS THE BRUNETTE ALWAYS LAZY?

Secrets

of the Biological Differences Between the Aryan of the South and the Nordic Blonde will be given in

THE NEXT NUMBER

LISTENING IN ON W-O-R-L-D

News Notes of Interest to Occultists

THERE'S going to be a new world war or two in 1927, with a few cyclones and earthquakes thrown in for good measure. The radio is going to show motion pictures.

Liquor is still going to be taboo—because of women, and "flappers" are going to be tamed down. Plants are going to sprout to new glories under violet rays, and automobiles are going to be smaller. Men are going to dig up a lot more bones of their ancestors, and men are also going to swindle their fellow beings out of a cool billion. And there won't be any summer. Provided, of course, that the predictions of mere men come true.

Never does the world celebrate the advent of a new year without enough woeful predictions of trouble ahead to stock a library. But 1927 sets a new record. Every corner of the universe contributes its share of the danger signals.

Wars head the list of 1927 "calamities." Benito Mussolini, the fiery dictator of all that Italy says, thinks or does, announces that his people are prepared for war simply because he feels war cannot yet be outlawed. Mussolini clinches his forecast by boasting that Italy is well aware of the anti-fascist plotting that is being done on French soil.

China is brewing a new world war, and it is up to the United States to prevent trouble, warns Dr. Tehyl Hsieh, noted scholar and Chinese member of the American Bar Association.

"The next war," he explains, "will make the last conflict look like a prize fight, and it will be fought over oil, possibly oil in China. The United States must deal early with China. China soon is going to be split into two nations, and as a divided nation it is going to be an easy target for international misunderstanding and strife."

"War is looming between France and Italy," warns Gerville Reache, one of the foremost journalists of France. "Military precautions are needed on the Italian frontiers to protect French territories. Europe still is very sick. Wherever one looks serious troubles appear."

Fillipo Turti, noted Italian politician, adds more fuel to the fire. He predicts the people of Italy, if given 24 hours of liberty and a real chance to vote, would put Mussolini on the political ash pile. Fascism in Italy, he predicts, is due for trouble in 1927 that may end in actual warfare.

The United States thus far has escaped the predictions of war. Tornadoes, hurricanes, earthquakes, fires, accidents, and cyclones are being dished out for the American people by those who peer into the future. And the usual number of motorists are going to try to beat the train to the crossing during the new year, the forecasters insist.

"No summer in 1927," is another prediction for the United States. "Spots on the sun will make the Fourth of July in 1927 a lot like Christmas day, though whether there will be snow on the ground still is a question."

"The world has been pretty good to me for 93 years, and I'm not going to try to change it now," is the word of Chauncey M. Depew, dean of American wits and a public figure for 70 years. "There isn't going to be any change in the Volstead act, however."

"Why?" some one asked him.

"Women," he replied. And he wouldn't say another word.

Along comes the Y. M. C. A. with the announcement they are going to war against 'petting" in 1927. The "flapper" is to be tamed.

"The sucker market will rise in 1927," predicts Edward A. Schwab, a famous fraud investigator and former secret service man. "Swindlers took a billion from Americans in 1926 and they're going to beat that mark in 1927. Men, women, and children, more than ever before. are going to lose their money to the swindler and his 'sucker bait.'"

Science is not to be outdone by others in this hobby of predicting the developments of 1927. Science, however, deals with the more pleasant probabilities.

Radio motion pictures will be perfected during 1927, says Dr. E. F. W. Alexanderson, consulting engineer of the General Electric Company and the Radio Corporation of America.

"It will not be long," he predicts, "until radio will receive, transmit, and reproduce a picture in one-sixteenth of a second."

"Better and more fruitful plants are going to be developed by use of the violet ray to stimulate growth and ripening," asserts William Crocker, noted New York City botanist.

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JUST where the foundation of modern writing came from, or what races were responsible for it, we do not know. If the geologists are correct in their estimate of time, we may feel comparatively safe in concluding that somewhere back in the period, possibly two hundred thousand years ago, man, in the most primitive stages of life, was using a sign language, and this sign language as it evolved into written form came to express the ingenuity of the user.

Creating, as they were, the first principles of written record, each man was thrown upon his own resources and abilities—was compelled to create his own crude drawings to represent his story. There was no one to follow—no one to guide. He was making a path to be followed and was doing it alone.

Gradually mental power and manual skill developed, but still each man was creating in his own way the records that he made. The foundation thus was laid for individuality of expression in the written work of man, a condition that has been strengthened and reinforced through the ages until today we have in the writing of each individual, a perfect record of his mental processes, the innermost aspirations and longings of his soul.

What man is he expresses in his writing, clearly, exactly, and without deceit. His soul is bared as he pens modern letter formations, just as those ancestors countless thousands of years back in history expressed themselves when making their simple writen records on cavern walls, and later in crude tablets of soft clay.

True enough, we follow set forms in writing now, but even these forms are so elastic, and the force of ages of inheritance so strong, that the individuality of the writer is not shadowed or lessened in any degree. Man may be what he will, but when he writes he expresses the inner workings of his Soul—of that Something that identifies the individual, so that nothing is hidden or secret.

It is as though one stood by a crystal pool, and looking down caught a reflection perfect in its clarity, without bias for good or evil—a faultless reflection of the personal Being.

As a science Graphology has been gaining ground steadily during the last hundred years. Before that it had its place as an art, although strictly speaking there was a scientific start back in the seventeenth century when one, Camillo Baldo, an Italian, wrote the first book dealing with the analysis of handwriting as a means of determining character. Slowly the study spread, and today a very considerable library exists in German, French and English, representing many years of the most careful, conscientious, and earnest study and investigation. Various organizations devoted to graphological research exist in European countries, where the study is more common than in the United States.

Aside from those who have seriously devoted themselves to the science of character analysis, there have been numbers of others who have aided in the growth and recognition of graphology, without giving it more attention than as a social art. Elizabeth Barrett Browning was a student of graphology, as were many others of her day, while at the present time we have many famous followers of the science, among whom is no less than *Havelock Ellis,* the renowned scientist. Bertillon who invented the systems of measurements named for him, and Herschel whose system is now so popular both used graphology extensively.

Scotland Yard, the watch-dogs of British justice, has an entire department devoted to the study of handwriting of those accused, determining whether it is possible for a man to commit a crime—if he has those underlying qualities or elements that even under pressure would turn him into the criminal.

In tnis country great corporations, as well as police departments have come to recognize the importance of graphology, so that today, thousands of years after the first attempt on the part of man to form a system of written communication, we have the recognition of the vast heritage assured us by the very development of individuality in written expression.

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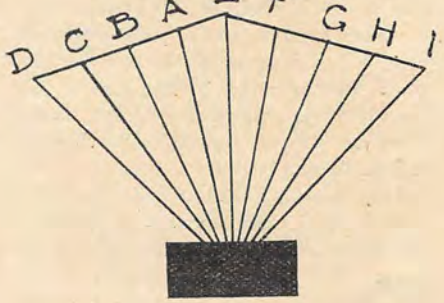
the schools of penmanship or the standardized methods that are offered in the public and private schools. Graduates of the famous Zanerian Art School of Columbus, where every effort is made to produce faultless technical penmen, show individuality just as does the writing of the man who has learned through the very need for writing, or the child who has grown to maturity after passing through a verying range of "methods"—vertical, Spencerian, and other systems of executing the forms.

For this is certainly and unchangeably true—genius will show. And not alone genius, for if this were all, then graphology could have little value. All of the traits and inclinations of the masses, of you and me,, can be found in our handwriting, and being found, become a guide post to our own lives, our possibilities and our opportunities.

From the standpoint of graphology there are no utterly commonplace people; all have some elements which if developed will make the character worth while, and it becomes the duty of the analyst to appreciate these humbler qualities that after all make up the foundation of the race.

As this is true, the graphologist must be skilled and experienced in order to make proper determinations, for a person with only a smattering of the subject becomes just as dangerous as an untried hand would be, if given the scalpel and the waiting patient on the operating table. This, because an inaccurate analysis is frequently as serious or more serious than an incorrect physical diagnosis. The surgeon and the doctor deal with the physical being, while the graphologist approaches the *soul* of the , subject. Therefore an improper or incorrect analysis offered to some types of minds, might bring serious results, burning into the soul and leading to disaster. Sympathy, understanding, appreciation are all necessary.

Almost every person submitting



The Key To An Analysis of Handwriting

specimens to a graphologist for analysis, preface the examination with the apology that they can write better—but it is well that they do not; for the specimen written under normal conditions, without any thought of analysis being made, naturally provides the best possible subject and tells the story of the writer without deviation.

For just as the individual puts forth his best efforts under certain conditions, dresses up as it were for public approval, the specimen that is written purposely for inspection will be self-conscious—will be under a varying degree of restraint, just as the writer of the specimen would be when on a formal visit. For this reason every-day writing is the most valuable for examination. It is true to form, without evasion.

The graphologist takes into consideration every part of the writing, the slant, the variation of the strokes, their length, and strength, the variation of the base line, the start and finish of the words, the punctuation, and the spacing of both words and letters. Arrangement, and the energy and force back of the written words, speed, and the strength or weakness of down strokes, the sizes of loops and the variation of curves, are all possessed of expression. They have their points in the final summing up of the analysis. Gene Stratton Porter, in the "Newly Weds" says:

LOVE—THE BASIS OF LIFE

"Human beings thrive on love, and men especially require it. You can coax a man into almost anything, but you cannot drive him an inch; and if you do it is under protest. What he does under protest is not from his heart."

Without love, life becomes a dreary drudgery, a misery, dragged out from day to day, eating at the very vitals of life until they are destroyed. But where there is love we find happiness in spite of poverty, and discouragement and disappointment. Nothing breaks the soul supported by Love, just as nothing can comfort the one that lacks it. Naturally therefore love is one of the strongest single characteristics in handwriting of both men and women.

Contrary to popular opinion, men are more affectionate and more hungry for affection than women. The handwriting of a man will indicate emotions more often and more pronouncedly than that of a woman.

The chart accompanying indicates the various slants of handwriting. Notice the direct up stroke, and hold in mind that the writer whose letter formations are perpendicular will prove, possibly kind and considerate, but the expression of love is not there; neither is the emotion. But from the *A* and *E* let us consider the *D*. Here we have a distinctive personality, cold to the general public but when the crust is broken, and the inner being is touched, the one who achieves the invasion will find intense fires of affection burning. Being altogether unexpected they seem all the greater. From *D* we may consider the other extreme of the range, and here find strong emotions expressed. The extreme forward slant is not merely demonstrative, but it reaches the point of tremendous feeling, and in reviewing the great lovers of history we find their writing possessed of this slant, or the direct reverse, and following the *D* angle.

(*To be continued*)

Will New York City Be Destroyed in 1927? A Prophecy (*Continued from page* 14)

forest areas have been excavated, three submergencies, three risings. All in Devonian and near Gilboa, New York.

When Will the End Come?

The date of the great catastrophe which shall destroy San Francisco has not been given to me yet, but I believe it will be in about twenty-eight years from the date of the last one, or in about 1933. I shall be shown a little before it is to come and nothing will prevent me from sending direct to the people of the city the exact date and hour, so that they will have ample time to leave and save lives.

The date of the sinking of New York City is not known to me either, directly, but it will also be revealed in time to warn the people to flee.

But when revealed and sent to the people in time to save their lives, few will accept the terrible warning, as in the days of Sodom and Gomorrah, yea, and in the recent days of the San Francisco earthquake and the days of the prophecies of the recent war. They believe only the catastrophic events after they come upon them, when it is too late.

As far as I now can state the sinking of New York will occur in 1927 or in 1933.

Under divine impulsion I went to San Francisco in the month of March, 1912, and took a house, as Paul did at Rome. I taught and I gave out these great prophecies for seven months. I held services every Sunday and frequently during the week at a chapel in the house. At the St. Francis Hotel for six consecutive Sunday evenings, beginning June 8, 1912, I gave the prophecies of a great world-crisis and a general overturning and told all the people that it was right at their doors.

The Fulfilment

When the European sky became darkened with a terrible war cloud and all the nations were threatened with insurmountable trials and dangers, even extinction, then these indifferent ones began to remember and many deeply regretted that they had had no time for such matters or to listen to the woman prophet whom God had sent to warn the world in 1912.

In 1914 they who had sneered in 1912 were ready to hide their faces, and in 1917, Oct. 26, when the new Russian regime, under the common people, had become a fact and the terrible sinister reign of the Czars had been forever put under foot, these sneering ones, figuratively donned sackcloth and ashes.

They would all have had "time for such things" then, but it was too late, for they then knew that the pale-faced, white-robed ascetic was what she had claimed to be—namely, the God-ordained, anointed prophetess for this age, and the only one, and what she had revealed they saw, with humiliation and gnashing of teeth, was terrible and unquenchable truth.

Earth-Wide Financial Disruption Near

During my public work in San Francisco in August and September, 1917, beginning at the Emerson Studios and ending at the Scottish Rite Hall, Sept. 2, I told the people, among other things, that the financial systems of the earth were soon to be completely disrupted and that man's greatly worshipped possession, gold, was to lose its purchasing power.

Today, with the Austrian kronen and the German mark about worthless, and France, Italy and England too greatly debt-laden to hope for recovery, and the United States sitting upon the top of a seething industrial volcano, the prophecy seems in a fair way to fulfilment.

I will state here definitely that in a few short years the now apparently healthy rate of exchange of the United States will be in as greatly diseased a state as is the rate of exchange of Austria today. By the year 1938 the entire system will meet complete and entire annihilation.

II. Esdras, vii., 41-43: "Even so now, seeing corruption is grown up and wickedness is increased." But the day of DOOM shall be the end of this time, and the beginning of the immortality for to come, wherein corruption is passed.

Esdras, 2-8: "Oh wicked people, remember what I did unto Sodom and Gomorrah—whose land lieth in clods of pitch and heaps of ashes."

This period is the "DAY OF DOOM" to which God referred in the above prophecy to Esdras.

Let all mankind understand that this is the great doomsday; also, the great day in which corruption is to be overcome and immortality attained by the faithful—that is to say, those who learn through the true teaching how to slay within themselves the fallen human nature and to rise into the resurrected or immortal state. And it may be said without fear of contradiction that there is no time to lose.

The death throes of the planet earth, now far advanced, will extend over a period to be counted by centuries, but the inversive scheme of human government will be very short-lived, indeed.

All aims, therefore, except those aims of slaying the self, individual and racial, and of turning inward toward God and the inner life—that life that is above the tumult of the senses—are unworthy to be considered, and moreover, they will be found to be utterly hopeless and futile, for the reason that the same power that rocks the earth deposes kings and potentates, exalts the lowly to high estate, dissolves the elements and blots out the light of the sun, moon and stars, will defeat, definitely and absolutely, without let or hindrance, that which seeks to obstruct its purifying way.

The Mystery God of Egypt *By* DR. ANITA WARDA MARIS BOGGS (*Continued from page* 12)

Capella the beautiful star of the goat constellation was to the Egyptians of pyramid times, the creative word that fashioned the sun and its attendants, the dwellers of the earth and the despised worm. No crude materialization veiled the eyes of these seers. To them the stars were not masses of tenuous gases revolving like toy balloons in space, but living conscious individuals using divine essence to further the designs of divine beings as superior to them as man is to the amoeba. The stars to the Egyptians were the hierarchies to whose ranks even humble man might attain. Did not the divine Ptah himself say:

"I make thy heart divine like mine
I choose thee, I weigh thee, I prepare thee
That thy utterances may be profitable
There is nothing whatever which thou doest not know
For I have completed thee this day
That thou mayest make all men live by thy instruction
I surround thee with permanence, stability and peace
I fashioned thee to rise like the sun, exalted before the gods."

The NIGHT *Side of* LIFE

By Walter Winston

IF the mechanical methods by means of which we communicate were interfered with—made useless for even a short period of time, all intercourse between people would end, except the intercourse between those in touch with each other through the medium of the human voice, depending upon the distance the vibrations would naturally carry.

Scientific research has proved that in order to manifest to mortals, the psychic force uses the medium of telepathy with a sensitive human body as the instrument that responds to spirit influence. Although seemingly crude and unreliable at times, the phenomena of the psychic forces have developed sufficiently to prove the undying principle of the human spirit.

Psychic research is advancing, but it is a generally accepted belief that certain conditions for the manifestation of psychical phenomena require darkness. Preconceived ideas before investigation are a serious hindrance in revealing the truth, which must and will be recognized. Darkness or semi-darkness is generally used, but it is not necessary to give a thought to anything supernatural in darkness. The fallacy of the supernatural does not exist. All is natural. Superstition holds no place in psychic science.

Darkness is the negative side of nature, and light positive. All nature is ruled by this law. The negative side is the night side of life. The seed takes root in darkness, starts its life and action there. The brilliant assembly of suns, stars, planets and nebulae in outer space, all move in an ocean of black darkness.

Since all is natural, why discriminate against nature in a darkened room? It is, after all, a puny effort as compared with her stupendous work outside of our little world, as well as all around us. What we see with our physical senses is indeed a small fraction of life.

Our spiritual vision is the most important thing to develop. Persons searching for the truth from the means at hand, casually or diligently, are always exposed to trickery and fraud, for the reason that they inject a certain amount of sentiment while investigating, which is likely to blind them to the actual conditions existing at the time of their observations. Mental conditions caused by a recent bereavement, a keen sorrow, a financial loss, do not help the people in their investigations. If these people have had the misfortune to visit a person and be tricked by him or her, as a rule they immediately denounce and condemn all spirit phenomena. This attitude is not at all reasonable, when the mental condition of these searchers is taken into account. Then a most important question arises. Why should the investigation into spirit phenomena be considered in this manner? Why should it be set aside and condemned by any one who has not studied it, or given it more than a casual thought before investigating, and then more for amusement or curiosity than from any other motive?

With the most important question of all time, "Do we live again?" always confronting us, why is it not just as important to study and gain an unbiased insight into spirit phenomena as it is to study any of the sciences? Are these the methods used, and is it the course pursued by these people who wish to pry into what is yet unknown to them? Absolutely no. When they wish to acquire knowledge of almost anything you can mention, before they actually are willing to admit the truth, they wish to have it well thought out. Then why discriminate? The attitude thus taken in this especial matter cannot be justified, for it is most unreasonable. They know nothing of the nature of the forces with which they have to deal, and have made no study or preparation before entering any seance room. It would be just as reasonable to graduate a pupil from the primary department of a public school, send him to college, and expect satisfactory results from such an action.

Scientific research has brought us so much nearer to the truth concerning this most important subject. The Book of Nature is the holy bible of science. Science is religion, uncovering the mighty truths in the night side of nature, clear, concise and in perfect accord, in freedom of thought. Surely it is worth our effort to *know* that there is another existence for the human soul. The truth of life hereafter will then become conviction. Preparatory effort will dispel doubt. Read, study the books of these scientific researchers. They contain a vast store of knowledge that is truth.

But do not search or study outside

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The Radiant Messenger *By* JOHN MORTLOCK (*Continued from page* 16)

and beautiful colors. Some wore on their foreheads, or shoulders, a single jewel that sparkled as they moved.

"Some of these people came singly, some in friendly groups of two or three, while others came leading and supporting their weaker comrades, who seemed to be almost overcome by this pageant of light and color 'round them.

"By now the fear of the unknown, which had held me powerless, had worn off. In a flash I realized that Jimmy was going away up the road, into that distant light.

"'Jimmy, Jimmy, don't go! Don't go!' I shouted desperately.

"Jimmy, hearing me, turned and looked back into the room, but his eyes were dazzled by the light, and he could not see me.

"'Where are you, Harry?' he asked, peering about the room.

"'Here!' I cried, running forward with the intention of holding him back, and, at all costs, preventing his going away up that road into the light. I could not get to him. There was a space between us that I could not cross. Again and again I tried to cross the few feet of space that separated us, but I could not. There was an unseen force that kept me back.

"'Jimmy, don't go up that road, don't go!' I begged him.

"Jimmy saw my difficulty, and reached out his hand to help me across. Though I used every ounce of strength and will power that I possessed, it was no use. I could not reach his outstretched hand. This unseen barrier was between us. I felt my strength failing me. Almost sobbing, I fell to the floor too exhausted to make another attempt.

"Jimmy drew back, the truth dawning on him.

"'Then it's true!' he whispered.

"'Yes, it's true,' answered the Guide. 'This is the road that you and I must take.'

"Jimmy turned again to the road, and shading his eyes with his hands, he looked right up into the light on the horizon.

"With an exclamation of awe, he sank down on his knees in silent ectasy, his eyes fixed on the distant light. The Guide touched him on the shoulder.

"'Come.'

"Slowly Jimmy rose to his feet, with the far look of one who has seen visions.

"'Jimmy!' I cried, trying vainly to rise to my feet again.

"'Is Harry coming with us?' he asked.

"'No, not yet,' answered the Guide.

"I made one last attempt to reach them, but my strength failed and everything became blurred and misty. The last thing I heard was Jimmy's voice.

"'Good-bye, old boy, I'll see you later.'

"Everything went black before my eyes; then came a sickening sensation of falling through darkness and space for what seemed an eternity. I gasped for breath. My temples throbbed. It seemed as though my head would burst.

"I OPENED my eyes, to find myself in my own bed, trembling from head to foot, my breath coming in gasps. I felt as though I had been under a prolonged strain. I sat up, and turned on the light. It was two o'clock in the morning. I could not get this vision or dream, or whatever you choose to call it, out of my head. My brain went over it, again and again. Every time I closed my eyes, I saw the whole thing flash before me like a picture on a screen. I lay awake for the rest of the night wishing that I had taken the time to write to Jimmy. I felt that it was too late."

"Did Jimmy really die?" whispered Betty Arden.

"Yes, Jimmy died at two o'clock that same morning."

After Harry had finished his story, silence fell upon the room. The fire, unnoticed, had died down to a few glowing embers. The wind was still, as though awed into silence. The only sound to be heard was the tick of the clock on the mantle.

Mrs. Arden broke the silence, and said in a hushed voice.

"I wonder if death is really like that. It has always seemed so awful to me."

"Perhaps it is really the passing from life, into fuller life," added the Colonel.

"I don't know," said Harry, "but whatever happens, I am sure that somewhere, Jimmy and I will meet again. His last words were, 'I'll see you later!'"

The Release of Dan Sheldon *By* ALICE PICKARD (*Continued from page* 18)

sat upon the floor. Mr. Boulden standing by the fireplace blew out the candle and then sat on the floor with the rest. They had sat quite still for a half hour when a light shining above their heads attracted the attention of all. It was the flaming dagger. There were no flames about the dagger but the blade and hilt consisted of one large phosphorescent light. It stood poised in midair as it did the night before and then disappeared. After the apparition had vanished the small group still gazed at the ceiling spellbound a few moments more.

Out of the darkness of night came a thin soft voice and whispered, "Ah, visitors!"

"Yes," replied John Boulden, "we have come to converse with you."

"And what is it you wish to know?" asked the spirit.

"Has anyone been murdered in this house?" inquired Mr. Boulden.

"Yes."

"Who?"

"Dan Sheldon."

The circle of nine astonished mortals gasped.

"Dan—Sheldon!"

"Yes."

"Then who are you?"

"I," informed the spirit, "Am Dan Sheldon."

"You—Dan Sheldon—How—What—The Dagger?"

The spirit laughed uncomfortably.

"I was stabbed with the dagger that lays on the mantel. My body lies



under the oak tree at the top of the hill in back of this house. You, John Boulden can release my spirit by going up to the oak tree, and taking ten steps to the north, three to the east and then dig. The second button from the top of my outside shirt is missing."

"Then who murdered you and why?"

"Joe Carliri, who lived in this house, sent for me. He said that he had some work for me and when I came he stabbed me here in this room. The money for which he killed me is still in the cellar. He forgot it in his hurry to get away."

"But the dagger, the appearance at night I mean."

"The dagger appears at midnight just before my spirit comes to earth. I go now and wait."

The next day the sheriff, with John Boulden and a party of men released the spirit of Dan Sheldon. Joe Caliri, was caught, tried and sentenced.

CURRENT EVENTS

Events in Many Fields of Thought

"His Master"

Warring against war, the Christian church has supporting it the very interesting productive of war, and is facing a crisis in its history, Fred B. Smith of the World Alliance for International Friendship Through the Churches declared only recently.

"There is no danger that the church will ever die out," said Mr. Smith. "The church can run for centuries on the ignorance and superstition of the masses.

"At present we have the backing of powerful money interests that believe the church can be used as a retardant for Socialism.

"Then, too, the military factions are supporting the church, for the church never fails to rally to the army in time of war.

"The general attitude is that the church has talked of international peace, the world has looked on with hope, the church has failed, and will fail again.

"The task of keeping America a peace-loving nation is more difficult than most people believe. The dangerous cry of nationalism is rising. All we need for war is to have every man shouting that he is 100 per cent American."

Dr. Frederick Lynch of New York said the church, through the alliance, had more to do with the Locarno pact than did the league of nations.

—Press Dispatch.

Mennonites Migrate

The greatest religious migration since the Pilgrims sailed to America on the Mayflower is under way. The vanguard of more than 3,000 Mennonites, members of the pacifist religious sect, is on its way to a new promised land in the wild jungles of Paraguay, in South America. There the Mennonites, who have been wandering over the face of the earth for centuries, hope to establish a permanent home.

From the middle western part of the United States, from Canada, and from other sections the Mennonites during the coming two years plan to migrate in great numbers to Paraguay. Thousands of them already have sold their homes and farms and have purchased their tickets to the new field.

The advance guard of 300 Mennonites has reached Brazil and soon will be on the tract of 3,000,000 acres of land given them by the government of Paraguay. Four hundred others sailed from New York recently, and 2,000 others are ready to follow in groups during the year.

These Mennonites will be modern pioneers in the South American colony they have been given. Already they have laid out farms and erected homes and churches. The government of Paraguay has established forts and garrisons to protect them from hostile savages, and until the colony is on a thriving basis no taxes will be levied upon the settlers.—*Grit.*

Biblical Libel

Bible translators suppressed the true woman of 2,000 years ago by changing the names of accomplished women to read masculine, and by wrongly interpreting certain passages to suit their intolerance of the female, Dr. Anna Lee Starr, Pittsburgh, told the International Association of Women Preachers recently.

Women of Bible times were apostles and ministers and one was a bishop, Dr. Starr declared.

Quoting from the Greek the speaker reversed the attitude of St. Paul toward women. The translator who has Paul asking women to assume a "shamefacedness" really meant "reverence" which Paul also asked men to show toward women, Dr. Starr said. The same Greek word is translated in other works besides the Bible as "reverence," she said.

Translators, unable to grant equality to women, "jiggered" their interpretations, consciously or unconsciously, to agree with their own feelings, Dr. Starr asserted.

—Press Dispatch.

Anti-Evolution in Minnesota

Minnesota's thinking men and women, educators and scientists, at the call of the International Theistic Society recently met at St. Paul to combat anticipated anti-evolutionary legislation. Dr. Arvid Reuterdahl, director general of the group, said that its purpose was to prove existence of God through science.

Cairo.—Osman Digna Pasha, great Mahdist religious leader, died at Wady Halfa. He was more than 100 years old.

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The Human Element *By* HENRY B. AUERBACH (*Continued from page* 10)

admittedly renders the difficulties in the way of unifying, humanizing, industrial or economic technique glaringly enormous, yet our choice in the end probably is solely between the development of some such technique or "system," and a continuation of a regime of unnecessarily great waste, distress and discontent. Hence the present urgent need for "Human Engineering."

Social Sciences Need to Be Correlated; Their Unification With General Science and Knowledge a Philosophic Necessity

THUS have the social sciences been conceived and developed in an attempt to meet this inevitable human requirement, comprising as they do a study of Mankind from the standpoint of psychology and its many derivatives down to the fine art of scientific character and talent delineation in all its phases, as well as expert vocational advisement, job analysis and placement.

But what is needed above all just at present, is a *Unification of these social arts and sciences* "to knit more closely the fabric of the enterprise." And after that—*an all-encompassing union of these so-called social sciences with the mathematical and natural sciences.* For *ultimately,* all human knowledge and experiences as well as all other phenomena generally considered, must necessarily be related, there being, truistically, no such thing possible as an absolutely exact and finished science in itself, short of the entire universe. Gone is the idea that anyone knows the *real* meaning, the destiny of life, human nature, industry, knowledge, in the old orthodoxly *particularistic* sense. And it was but yesterday, for example, that Einstein, the relativist, advanced his revolutionary and already partly proven theories tending to upset our hitherto smugly accepted traditional notions of time, space, matter and gravitation. Yet, withal, our toleration and respect for a truly valid science continue to deepen.

The elements of Human Science as revealed to us through an application of the now known laws and concepts of character reading and psychology—like science in its general aspects—are merely but another manifestation of that Ultimate Reality, the ONE AND THE MANY.

Phrenologians, Character and Psycho-analysts, Teachers, Writers and Professional Philosophers generally, should therefore be careful and *moral* enough not to over-estimate their respective arts to the point of dogmatic idealism of the self-conscious, professional-ethics type. Then, again, to throw contempt unhesitatingly upon all things mystical, occult, religious, or otherwise seemingly "transcendental," without due and unprejudiced consideration and investigation, is undoubtedly the aristocratic "vice par excellence."

For the conception of an "Infinite Regress" in nature is philosophically a profoundly fundamental one. It applies with equal weight to all phenomena, attributes and manifestations, whether we go on downward from the infinitesmal electron with its pent-up forces and mysteries, or whether we start out with a vast celestial galaxy similar to our own particular universe (e.g., the Milky Way whirl) to begin with, and continue thence on an ever widening scale of macrocosmic magnitude ad infinitum. Even the great Hegel is said to have declared that all "reality," all "truth" is in fact a union of contradictories. And so the mental scientist, character analyst, psychologist and psychological writer and teacher of real sincerity and competence, in dealing with "mental atoms" or "faculties" so-called, will do well first to assign his art or science to its proper and honest place in a scale of relative values, and then to coordinate it with other knowledge thereby accomplishing the unification, qualitatively at least, that the grandiose principle of infinite regress so rigorously demands. And all the while, he should remember that the physical brain with its attendant body and nervous system is in itself but a comparatively grosser manifestation of the Absolute.

The Three Relativities of Nature; Mind, Energy, Matter; "Spirit" or Absolute Reality

OF COURSE, it is all very practicable and necessary to study man and his mental processes in relation to the apparently material world. But it should be borne in mind, nevertheless, that there is something else to Mankind besides "science," and that THAT SOMETHING which we "emotionally" feel mysteriously transcends everything else —even the Universal Mind itself—is Ineffable Spirit or Absolute Reality.

Matter with its tangible physical properties, constitutes but the grossest manifestation or emanation of the Absolute, despite the fact that orthodox or conventional science so often is wont to make a veritable God of it. Cosmic matter and energy are essentially by-products or end-effects of Universal Mind. To put it the other way around, and say that mind is merely a sort of magical hocus-pocus or evolutionary offshoot from matter, is to "put the cart before the horse."

But be it remembered that even the universal principle of mind is still only an emanation or attribute of Absolute Reality, although, of course, it (mind) represents the highest and the most subtle of these three fundamental attributes or harmonic periodicities which go to make up phenomenal existence.

Mind first, then Energy, and lastly Matter. Thus should run the sequence of the cosmic elements. All this, of course, is not to assert or even tacitly assume that Mind, Energy, and Matter are uniquely separate and distinct entities, for to do that would be to engage in a nonsensical and inelastic dualism; each rather "melts" into the other. However, since "knowing" is basically a contrast-comparison process, we must of necessity assume, verbally at least, a qualitative WHOLE as being composed of many quantitatively differentiated Parts—continuously inter-dependent, unified parts.

To yearn for A WHOLE without "parts" is to eschew intelligence (e.g., Science) and end up with nothing more than a wild, mystic and meaningless emotional splurge. On the other hand, when we investigate a perceptibly differentiated phenomenon, we should not lose sight of its having an infinitely variable relationship with the whole, although as humans we shall never succeed in knowing that Whole as an all-environing fringe or setting (fading off to infinity) of which phenomenal manifestations such as mind, energy, matter are for the moment, as it were, but shifting manifold foci of attention and consciousness.

"Nature," said Schelling, "sleeps in the plant, dreams in the animal, wakes in the man." Yet, behind externalized "Nature"—the very apotheosis of triune Mind, Energy, Matter—there still rules the Spiritual Essence or "Absolute Idea" which ultimately must transcend even Universal Mind as overwhelmingly and completely, as Mind in turn overshadows Matter in the cosmic spectrum. The Many are in the One. And that all-embracing unified One contains and permeates each and all of the infinite Many, and is "Spirit"—ineffable "Spirit"—not Mind.

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That night the little woman and I pondered Jim's words. The next morning I stepped into the church of Doctor Richardson. "Doctor," I said, "I want some religion." In two minutes I had some. That was ten years ago. Today I am an elevator operator and rising every minute.

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—Hugh Wood in "Judge."

Persian Gods

Treves, Rhineland,—A shrine to the Persian god of light, Mithra, has been discovered at the foot of the mountain of the Holy Cross near Treves by the archeological commission of the Rhineland.

This discovery would appear to confirm the hypothesis that the Mithra cult was in vogue in the valley of the Moselle and throughout the Rhine country during the Roman occupation.

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The Pirate's Legacy

By F. ALLEN BURT (Continued from page 19)

that a chance acquaintance mentioned spiritism. Quickly divining my hostility the man laughed and said: "If you are really interested, Mr. Henry, you ought to look up this man," and he produced a card which he handed to me. "I ran into him by chance and have found him entirely out of the ordinary run of mediums. In fact he doesn't call himself that at all. Yet he is performing some mystifying feats of clairvoyance through the professed aid of a pirate who was murdered off the coast of Maine a couple of hundred years ago."

"Pirate"—"Maine!" How could I fail to be impressed? The small boy in me came to life with a bound. I could not restrain a hearty laugh. And the minute we reached Boston nothing would do but I must go at once to this new claimant to prove for myself his right to practice.

In a dismal rooming house on a once fashionable side street of the South End I found Mr.———. He was a slight, seedy man of 40, with pale blue eyes, sallow skin, insignificant features and a rather weak chin. His black hair needed cutting, and his whole appearance was that of a man careless in his personal cleanliness.

When told the purpose of my visit he shrugged his slight shoulders deprecatingly and smiled pleasantly. "This power," said he, "has come to me within the past two years. I don't know what it is, but it seems to produce the goods."

He led me into a darkened back room where we sat facing each other. He shut his eyes, pressed his hands for a few moments to his temples and commenced to speak.

He said that his spirit friend, the old pirate, came to him for orders. Told to produce something of interest to me the old fellow, accompanied by the medium, made a hasty trip across the Atlantic, which the medium described in detail, landing on a bleak, gray promontory on the north coast of Ireland. Here they visited a lonely burying ground where they paused beside a moss grown stone, its inscription hardly decipherable.

Standing for a moment before the stone the spectral pirate invoked from the depths of the grave a grim and bloodthirsty buccaneer in full regalia, who looked menacingly at the intruder, even making a pass at him with his cutlass. Nothing daunted our pirate faced his one-time captain and by some argument persuaded him to accompany them back to the ocean.

> BE a good sport—give your dead a chance to talk—they will do the rest. Get the mystery hump off your back; the fire and brimstone glint out of your eye; hold up your head, defiantly if need be, and show your family, your neighbors, the minister and the family doctor that you, at least, give your dead a chance to tell about their journey and the country they have found. Be human about it; the most efficient among them must find it difficult to make the hard headed, narrow minded, uncertain mortals understand that laws must be obeyed if they desire a worth while report.

Here they found waiting the old pirate craft in which along about 1600 this bold captain had sailed the Spanish Main, robbing and pillaging. Some of these gruesome exploits were now reenacted for my benefit. Finally, closely pursued, the ship escaped toward the northwest and landed at last on an uninhabited promontory on the northern coast of Maine—a place whose description sounded unaccountably familiar to me.

Here with the aid of our pirate and another seaman the captain buried a huge chest of treasure, marked the spot with a ring bolt in a nearby boulder, cheerfully planted the seaman along with the chest, drew up a parchment plan of the hiding place and, well satisfied, returned to the ship.

Once on board our friend demanded of the captain a reward for keeping the secret. In a rage the buccaneer hit him over the head with his cutlass, laying open the man's face. The scar of this wound, by the way, the ghostly pirate still exhibited. Because the offender had the impertinence to hurl a belaying pin after the captain the latter, in a fury, ordered the plank run out over the vessel's side and forced the poor wretch ingloriously to "walk the plank."

Soon after this the captain sailed for home. His luck seemed to have deserted him, and within a few years he died, leaving the parchment as his only bequest to his children. In turn it was passed from father to son, until in time one of them migrated to America. Now the map was in the possession of the last survivor, a young policeman in the city of New Bedford.

At this point the medium yawned, stretched himself, opened his eyes cautiously and stood up. The "reading" was at an end.

I paid his charge and, though you may not credit this of an intelligent man and an unbeliever, took the next train to New Bedford. I went directly to the street and number specified by the piratical spirit. The door was opened by a fresh-faced young Irishwoman who asked me in and called her husband, the young policeman.

"Sure," said he when I stated the nature of my visit, "we have an old bit of parchment. Though what's it for we can't make out."

"Would you sell it?" I inquired, trying not to look too much interested in the old heirloom.

"Why sure, if it's worth anything to you," he replied. And sell it he did.

It was a week later, after my return to Maine, that I sat down one evening in my summer home on Cottage Point to figure out the parchment. And here is the most extraordinary part of the whole weird proceeding. For proof—well, let me tell you:

Do you recall I said the landmarks of that promontory in Maine seemed familiar? Well they might! For latitude and longitude worked out to this very Cottage Point. An hour's search next morning gave me my starting point. A short survey and a little digging disclosed the ring bolt still imbedded in the big boulder. But here I paused—for the measurement brought me directly to the foundation of the northeast corner of my own cottage.

There the matter rests today. I don't need the treasure—though I'd love to uncover it—and I am just naturally afraid of the laughter of my neighbors if I started razing my home to seek buried treasure which might not materialize.

Some day perhaps I can cook up an excuse for digging a well under my house, and then—maybe I'll invite you down to share in the fun.

ANNOUNCING beginning with our next issue ERNEST WINDLE, *Editor of The Catalina Islander* whose articles on Motivation and Popular Psychology will interest you.

DREAMS

Your Dreams Psychically Interpreted

OH, Mich—Your dream is an indication of a more harmonious condition, succeeding a very trying period of time, in which you should not become discouraged.

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NKN, Nebr—Your dream is quite significant of trouble ahead. Established business, conducted in rock sheltered, wooden beamed, underground cave, modernly well equipped, portrays future success. Disastrous auto ride is a warning for you to curtail pleasures, likely to lead to loss. The marrying of partner is suggestive of interference in present harmonious conditions. Misrepresentation by a young man is significant of deceit from an outsider. Leaving without compensation is a warning against bad judgment in business. Partner being sorry in later years, indicates laxity in the best interest of the business. Altogether, your dream is a prophecy for your future. Its warnings should enable you to become more vigilant in the present.

GH, Canada—Dreaming of pearls alone is significant of death, but offset by sapphires and diamonds would mean a threatened disaster, averted. One man, appearing as two would indicate directions, carried out. The tendency to mask would indicate the approach of a spy who would conceal a treacherous weapon; also a warning to be more careful when dealing with strangers. Brown clothes is suggestive of weakness. Cultivate a strong will against flattery or praise, commonly known as diplomacy. Be careful of the attention of strangers.

ETR, Calif—Your dream was a vision symbolizing future prosperity. The ten circles, composing the larger circle, is a complete symbol for success. The smaller circles containing the small circles, signifies a complete and full life, happiness and success. The gray color signifies future life; if gold, it would signify present success or a full harvest. The circle is always a symbol of success.

That he dreamed of finding a beautiful sapphire, buried in an old mine near his home, and that he actually found the stone next morning, with an almost perfect Masonic emblem cut on it by nature, is the story of James Corbin, of Franklin, N. C.

Persons doubted him, so Corbin showed them a gem such as he described and also offered to point out the exact spot where he found it. He refused an offer of $50 for his gem.

Grit.

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LISTENING IN ON W-O-R-L-D

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"Smaller, speedier cars, cheaper to buy and cheaper to operate, are due in 1927," predicts one manufacturer.

"Man is going to dig up many bones and learn much about his ancestors in 1927," contributes Clark Wissler, curator at the American Museum of Natural History.

—*Grit.*

Magic In Mexico

From Guaymas, in Sonora, Mexico, comes strange stories about the traditions, supersitions and acts of Indians. Strange tales of witchcraft and superstition among the Indians of the Cacapah tribe.

The story of the death of Francisco Prieto, who posed as a sorcerer and charmer among his fellow tribesmen, was brought here by a patrolman and an army officer who completed an inspection tour of the region.

The two officers relate that at San Luis, Prieto's death sentence was pronounced by the tribal chieftains and that a choice of decapitation, poisoning, hanging, torture by single drops of water falling on the head and similar means of ending his life was given the doomed man. While it is not known just what form of torture finally was selected by Prieto, decapitation took place whether by his choice or not.

The authorities of Sonora find themselves in a quandary in applying punishment for the action. The Indians will not divulge the name of the executioner and no one can be found among the tribe who will throw any light on the case. Cacapahs originally came from the United States and the group now living at San Luis numbers about 800.

The two officers learned Prieto was accused of exercising diabolical influences and when he failed to cure one of the tribe he was accured of having "signed a treaty with satan." He was sentenced to die, and the sentence was carried out secretly, his body having disappeared.

After Prieto's head had been severed fantastical tribal dances and rituals were performed about the gruesome scene, said to have been in the interior of a cave. Lamentations, songs, sighs and other aboriginal traditions formed part of the ceremony connected with the disappearance of the supposed sorcerer.

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NEWS OF PSYCHIC ACTIVITIES

Psychical Research, Spirit Philosophy and Phenomena



Natacha Rambova

—*Pleasure Magazine.*

Valentino

Two women who fought earthly battles for Rudolph Valentino's love began a bitter controversy recently over his life after death.

In New York Natacha Rambova, second wife of the film star, made public a "spirit message" which she said she had received from him.

In Chicago, Jean Acker, Valentino's first wife, expressed bitter disbelief that any such message had been received.

Rudolph Valentino's last message from the spirit world, word by word, as made public by his former wife, Natacha Rambova is:

"It distresses me, my death. It holds me to earth. I can't escape. I fear that only hectic memories of me will live, not the peace of my existence here. Just after the funeral I walked down Broadway. I heard people talking about me. I talked to them and tried to engage them in conversation. They didn't see or hear me, yet I was dressed as I always was and looked no different to myself. I dodged them right and left. One woman walked right through me and I heard her say she felt a cold wind. It was I.

"I gave up trying to make people listen. Leaving these earth vibrations behind me I went to movies where my pictures were being shown. All my life is vibrations. Where I am now vibrations are very different. I go to opera, concert, theater. The architecture here is beautiful."

Commenting on Miss Rambova's receipt of spirit "messages" from Valentino, Miss Acker said:

"If she did receive such a message it was very indelicate of her to broadcast it. I should hold it too sacred for any one but myself to know. . . . "Houdini," she continued, "spent many years exposing these frauds. When he was dying he gave to his wife messages which he promised to send her, if such a thing were possible, from beyond the grave. When Mrs. Houdini gives out these messages I will admit some basis for belief in spirit messages."

"Did Mr. Valentino believe in spirit messages?" she was asked.

"He certainly did not,' 'she emphatically answered. "He was intelligent."

—*Press Dispatch.*

Heredity

It is hoped, thru the study of twins, to find an answer to the ageold question, "How much of an individual's characteristics are predetermined or hereditary, and how much the product of environment and training?"

Three well-known professors in the University of Chicago, who make up the "twin research bureau," are asking help from the twins themselves. Success of the investigation depends on the co-operation of twins who are willing to participate. Those entering the study will be put to no expense or embarrassment.



—*Pleasure Magazine.*

The last photograph of Houdini, noted sleight of hand performer, who attacked religious cults for professing to believe that the dead could not communicate with the "living."

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L. G., N. Y—In what year will I marry?

A—The fall of 1928.

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R. G., N. Y—At what age will my future husband enter my life? Will I be happy?

A—(1) Late in life. (2) Yes.

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S. G., N. Y—Shall I buy a little business for myself? What do you suggest I would be successful in?

A—(1) You would do well. (2) Your present trade.

* * *

M. O. G., Ohio—In what year and date will I marry? Have I met the man I will marry? What occupation will I be most successful in?

A—(1) Nov., 1927. (2) Yes. (3) With the needle.

* * *

K. H. F., Ill—Please tell me the month and year in which I will marry?

A—No marriage indicated.

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A. S., Md—Will I be successful in my search for wealth?

A—Your search for wealth will carry you into many strange lands. You will not be wealthy in the generally accepted term but will be comfortably well off as the result of your search.

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L. S., Ill—Have I met the man whom I am destined to marry? Is it true that I have only a short time to live?

A—(1) No. (2) No.

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E. W., Tex—Will my son ever turn away from his ways of indifference and live up to my expectations? Will he marry the girl he is now going with? In what profession or occupation will I be able to make a success?

A—(1) Yes. (2) No. (3) You love pretty things and would succeed in a fancy and art goods store, in the right location.

* * *

S. D. M., Tenn—Could I become a successful writer at my age?

A—Age makes no dofference; you have the ability.
placed in a condition to help yourself.

F. B. M., Calif—Will I ever return to my wife and make a home for my boy? Should I continue the case I now have in court.

A—Yes, to both questions.

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M. R. W., Ill—Will I yet meet the man who will make my life brighter and happier?

A—Yes.

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W. F. W., Calif—Will I be successful in the barber business? Will I ever rise to anything higher?

A—Your determination will give you success both in business and aspiration.

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E. T., Mo—When will my deceased mother's farm be sold?

A—In October, 1927.

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W. F. H., Mich—Will the development extend to the west to include my property?

A—Eventually, yes.

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O. H., Mich—What is the matter with me?

A—Everything is the matter with you; you are *not* a salesman. Learn a trade that requires the action of both brain and hands. Occult science is only an aid to success; your future success begins this year.

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V. C. M., Minn—Will I make a change in labor this year? Will I go to Minneapolis with the one I have planned? Will I marry the man I am now thinking of?

A—(1) No. (2) Not very soon. (3) No.

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L. R., N. Y—In what line of work will I succeed?

A—Mechanical engraving.

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T. W., Pa—What will my financial condition be in the future?

A—Greatly improved, with continued improvement.

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J. O. C., Ore—Will I get financial aid from friends in the coming year?

A—Through new friends you will be

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LISTENING IN ON W-O-R-L-D

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The two officials discovered the Cacapahs, generally a peaceful tribe, had suddenly assumed a bellicose attitude, but their fighting was limited among themselves. The reported sanguinary encounters between leaders of the tribe had taken place lately and that many of their members had suffered inquisitorial deaths rivaling in torture the historic accounts of punishment of the middle ages.

The officials recommended a detachment of federal soldiers be sent to San Luis to re-establish order among the tribe.—Great Divide.

Priests Curse!

With the warning of a seven years' curse upon their town fulfilled, after fires, murders, suicides, fatal accidents, and holdups have occurred, the surviving residents of Drumcollogher, Ireland, are hoping that they are now out of the way of more tragedies.

Warning of the long and severe curse came from the lips of a priest seven years ago, following the murder of two farmers on lonely roads—virtually the first disruptions in the history of the quiet town.

Soon after the announcement of the curse two men were shot by the militia. A year later incendiary fires took heavy tolls. In one of these three youths who attempted to burn down the court house were trapped in their own flames and burned to death.

Numerous fatal accidents occurred, and many citizens committed suicide. Then one night when a large audience was watching a moving picture in a barn loft theater a film caught fire, 51 lives were lost, taking one or more members from every family in Drumcollogher.

A villager who helped bury these dead declared he had a dream of burying three of his friends. Three days later his dream came true. *Grit.*

Peculiarities of Human Nature

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Finally, in self-defense, when he could stand the strain no longer, he fled to the wilderness to live the life of a hermit.

But his wife never rested until she found him and placed him in one of the best sanitariums in the country for treatment. I just learned recently, that he was cured and is living today.

NEWS OF PSYCHIC ACTIVITIES

Psychical Research, Spirit Philosophy and Phenomena

Psychical Research

Worcester, Mass.—Rival claims for spiritualism, viewed from a scientific standpoint and presented at the first session of Clark university's symposium on psychical research vary from the prediction of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle that it would reunite science and religion to the flat assertion of Prof. Joseph Jastrow that it is absurd and untenable.

Prof. Jastrow, psychologist from the University of Wisconsin, opened the symposium recently in an address attacking the case for spiritualism as presented in a letter read from Sir Arthur, famous author and an exponent of spiritualism.

In answer to the assertion of Doyle that of those who had looked into it the vast majority here found the facts to be unassailable. Jastrow said: "We may give up the occult without regret. It is either psychism or psychology, science or pseudo science we must choose.

"Less than 1 per cent of the men working in science today—in fact, not more than about 200 of them in the world—are willing to give credence to the contentions of the spiritualists or to believe any of the things that the metapsychics claim."

Turning to Conan Doyle, Dr. Jastrow declared. "He is mainly of interest as an instance of credulity, which is strange only because he is a scientist and the creator of detective stories in which he was wise enough to employ simple human motive and material evidence. Both these elements are lacking in his views on spiritualism."

The British author, in presenting his side of the case, admitted that one cause for weakness in spiritualism was that many of its supporters were uneducated and that a retinue of rogues had been attracted to the movement.

He urged that experiments in psychic phenomena be safeguarded against such frauds so as to eliminate the danger of scandal. He suggested that seances be conducted in red or partial light to achieve results without scandal. He said Lincoln had held counsel with unseen beings who had guided him on the road that led to national safety, and that Burbank and Edison had been influenced by the evidence regarding the "phenomena of spiritualism."

Doyle made this prediction as to spiritualism:

"The ultimate result will be the union of science and religion, and such an increase of inspired knowledge as will lift humanity onto a higher plane and send it reassured and comforted upon its further journey into the unknown.

—*News Dispatch.*

Flirting With Mars

Communicating with Mars may be nothing new after all, for Dr. Mansfield Robinson, a London attorney, who became a telepathist years ago, declares he has a woman friend on Mars.

The attorney's friend is named Oomaruru, from whom he asserts he has received messages and who has kept him informed of what is going on on the mystery planet.

Now he knows the Maritians so intimately, he asserts, as to be aware of what they look like and what they eat and can vouch for the fact that they use tobacco and drink tea.

Dr. Robinson created a sensation in London, England, when he handed into the central radio office a message for Mars. It was explained to the sender that delivery could not be guaranteed. But this was agreeable, the doctor being satisfied to take the risk.

That night Dr. Robinson announced he had received a message from Oomaruru, presumably in reply, while he was being interviewed relative to the failure of other persons to get into touch with Mars that night. He declared that astronomers and other scientists have only themselves to blame, as "they simply do not know how to play the Martians' game."

Ghosts

Stories of a flitting ghost attired in wedding clothes have added to the excitement of Prairie Du Chien, Wis., as a result of the slaying of Clara Olson and the search of her lover, Erdman Olson, charged with the crime. The ghost, the stories say, is that of the dead girl.

The whole valley is in a state of high excitement, and some mothers are said to be keeping their children home from school rather than allow them to pass the woods.

The girl's body, after she was slain, was only partly buried with leaves in a shallow grave in a woods, and there are those who say that this explains how the ghost of Clara Olson has come to walk abroad.

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Earthquakes

Raffaele Bendani, famous Italian seismologist, whose forecasts of earthquakes have attracted wide attention for many years, declares 1927 will be particularly rich in telluric spasms, distributed in various zones noted for their quake proclivities.

"It can be said now the new year will pass down to history as one marked black with the sinister effect of earthquakes," he said recently. "In fact, by the middle of January, violent earth shakings will alarm the densely populated regions of southern Europe, and at the same time we will see a sudden reawakening of quake activity in the Rhenish provinces as well as in far away and desolated regions of Polynesia.

"In February this fever will grow in intensity and the earth will tremble in Central America, particularly in the Isthmus region, which will be shaken repeatedly, while rebounds will be felt in the Mediterranean islands.

"In the spring earthquake activities will have as their theater the near east, especially in the Greek archipelago and Anatolia, a period of quiet prevailing in all other regions.

"The summer will be noted for several big events. Another volcanic eruption of sweeping violence will take place in the Japanese archipelago, with a fierce earthquake in the Kurile islands, which also form part of Japan.

"In July there will follow a renewal of activity in the central Mediterranean area and in the same month strong earthquakes will occur in Mexico, along the Pacific coast, not far from the regions visited by disaster in 1909.

"The second part of the year will register tremendous earthquakes in the Antilles islands, as well as in the Aleutian and Philippine islands, the violence of the cataclysm being felt also along the southern coast of Alaska.

"Toward the closing of the year Transcaucasus and Armenia will be visited again by telluric convulsions.

"All these earthquakes, with a renewal of volcanic eruptions in Central America, Central Asia and the Mediterranean basin, will be only forerunners of wider and more general awakening of dormant telluric energies, which for a long time have been in preparation in the depths of the earth.

"The events of 1927 won't be the explosion of a great telluric tempest, but only shivers of a great fever raging inside the earth."—*Great Divide.*

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Human Sacrifices

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made human sacrifices whenever they were under adversity and felt that the gods were athirst. H. G. Wells paints a graphic picture of a scene that may have occurred in the dawn of a prehistoric day about the vast stone altars on the Wiltshire uplands at Stonehenge, in England—the Druid priests with horribly painted masks, the air of festivity among the people who have come wearing their very best skin garments for the occasion and the helpless victims gazing toward the distant smoking altars upon which they are to die.

As time went on the practice of human sacrifice became more elaborate. The reasons and occasions of human sacrifice were codified. The most civilized races decided that an entire community might be cleansed of an epidemic or saved from other calamity by this barbarous means.

The Athenians kept a special supply of captives to stone to death outside the walls of the city in times of national calamity. Every schoolboy knows the story of the sacrifice of Iphigenia by her father during the Trojan war. In Rome human sacrifices were made until a century before the beginning of Christianity, when Pliny records the passage of a law against the practice. When Marco Polo visited Japan in the thirteenth century he found to his horror that the people of Zipangu, as he called the island, still observed the custom.

But the greatest field of that atrocious ceremony was in Mexico, at the time of the Aztecs. This reached its height during the thirteenth century and continued until the coming of the Spaniards. Aztec civilization was remarkable for its culture, and the contributions those people made to astronomy have excited the admiration of modern scholars. But in the public estimation greater than the marvelous calendar stone was their stone of the sacrifices, upon which thousands perished annually.

So obsessed did the Aztecs become with this dominating feature of their religion that wars were conducted with the one idea of gathering victims for the elaborate ceremonies. Not only were sacrifices made to the sun god and to the gods of the seasons, but all public holidays as well centered about them.—**Great Divide.**

ASTROLOGY

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T. H. W., Pa.—When will I be free financially? Will I ever accomplish something to benefit mankind generally and in what way?

A—Finances do not appear to improve very much until 40th or 42nd year. You have talents in surgery or nursing.

J. H., Ill.—Will I receive a promotion and when will it come?

A—The coming year appears to hold some advancement for you but dangers of loss of reputation by gossip or scandal. Your 44th year appears to hold also some advancement for you.

L. R., N. Y.—Will I succeed in the movies? What am I best suited for?

A—You would not have the patience to succeed in the cinema. You are adapted for artistry, music, office work and authorship if properly trained.

T. H. M., Jr., Ill.—Will I continue in this position the rest of this winter? I am planning on going to California.

A—You do not state present connection. Several changes are denoted this year. Without further details of your present work cannot advise you. Favorable planetary influences prevail for you in California, and you should succeed there better than in your present environment.

Mrs. H., Mont.—Will my son be successful working for himself? Where and at what will he be most successful?

A—Your son should be successful in business for himself with some of his fortunate lines. His most fortunate places are in high altitudes in a dry climate. He is talented for authorship, secretarial work and business management. His most fortunate lines are mental and professional pursuits with executive tendencies, notions, novelties, stationaries, real estate, brokerage and mechanical or auto accessories.

Mrs. O. D., Ind.—Everything I plan proves a disappointment; the unexpected always happens. Why?

A—The location of your city is against you in the first place. You are more successful in the mountains. Your life is somewhat due many ups and downs. The Cycle of Destiny shows the turning point in your affairs does not come into a more fortunate period until after your 52nd year. You can improve your circumstances by changing your residence and following your more fortunate lines. Perhaps you are also following some of your unfortunate lines of employment or business.

L. B. J., Wis.—Would like advice about my work and physical condition.

A—You are talented for mental professional pursuits and occupations that require mental efforts. Are somewhat psychically inclined and would be successful in occult science. Your health is variable being controlled by the changeable Moon. Intestinal disorders, gastric troubles, weak back, and diseases or inflammations of the genito-urinary system. However by caring for your health and observing strict daily hygiene you may overcome many of these ailments.

K. H. T., Ill.—Should I pursue a business occupation and if so, of what nature? Shall I marry soon?

A—You can succeed in business for yourself as you have much executive ability and keen forethought. Your most fortunate lines are: designing, ornamental work, window trimming, notions, stationaries, fruits, flowers, books, and typewriters, wholesale or retail. Marriage not indicated the coming year.

J. H. W., N. Y.—What am I best suited for? What is my best location for success?

A—You are fortunate with photography, mechanism, aviation, automobiles, engineering and surveying. Sign painting and bill posting also in your good lines. You are working against planetary influences. Are more successful in a dry, sunshiny climate. Marriage is delayed for you. Will not be well for you to consider marriage until at least several years later.

J. L. D., Canada—What are my future indications?

A—Space too limited to go into detail. The year holds changes, removals, advancement, possible social defame thru plots or schemes, news of bereavement, quarrels, short trips, etc. Your life in general will have many thrilling experiences.

S. G. P., Ind.—What is the trouble with my financial and domestic life?

A—From your test-chart I judge your whole trouble is an inharmonious marriage. You are both born in Virgo which, astrologically, is an unfortunate combination. Working on the mind it thus upsets your plans and ideas for financial success. You will always be more or less unsettled under this environment unless you both come to a mutual understanding and each of you have your own business, and become more liberal in views with each other. This can be adjusted if you are both broadminded.

The Brunette Beautiful (*Continued from page 26*)



tions, known today as India and China, where they invented "civilized" methods, only when the pastures failed.

Even today, thousands of years later, the ancient Aryan tribes may be found, almost exactly as they were in the days before history. They tend their sheep and cattle in isolated valleys, living a life of lethargy and inertia, except when driven to new pastures. They do no farming, build no bridges or cities or roads, have no commerce and rarely, if ever, see a Nordic.

They are content with the simple life. They have their simple tribal laws and their primitive religion—one of mysticism. A recent motion picture, entitled "Grass" is a true account of these ancient people, and depicts their customs, habits and primitive life. The photographers visited a hidden valley beyond a range of mountains and secured this remarkable panorama, just at a time when the pasturage was exhausted and the tribe was preparing to migrate over the mountains.

Among these Aryans, who had migrated south and east, due to the upheaval of the earth in eolithic times, were some individuals of lighter color, like unto those survivors to the North.

But as the centuries passed, the sun's rays exterminated them or the tendency to blondness was assimilated through marriage, by the stronger Aryan blood.

Referring, once more, to Old Testament legend, we find an account of what happened when *Nordic* chanced to meet his brother *Aryan.*

The legend assigns to Cain, the brother of Abel, the building of a town. The Nordics were the first to do this, just as they were first to till the soil. The pastoral Aryan had only his temporary, tented village.

Cain was the husbandman in contrast with Abel, the tender of sheep. The herdsman could not hold his own with the agriculturist, who was the more vigorous, hardy and aggressive of the two. So the weaker perished when they came in conflict.

"And the Lord set a mark upon Cain."

By common consent, this mark is placed on Cain's brow.

Can it be that this legend exemplifies the difference in the shape of the forehead, between the Nordic and the Aryan? Is it possible that the early historian saw the receding forehead of the blonde as a symbol of a mind which functioned along lines of egocentric conquest?

For the expert in anthropometry and human analysis, of today, is quite aware of the distinct cranial differences between the war-like Nordic and the peace-loving, lethargic Aryan, typified in the Indo-Aryan, of Asia, and the large-skulled, brunette philosopher of Europe and America.

The Nordics of the Northern States of this country, thought the Southerners stupid because they had fewer symbols of "civilization" and progress and had slaves to do the tilling of the soil.

Somewhat like his brother, the Hindu, one of the leading principles of the peace-loving, lethargic, Aryan of America, was to eat well, drink well, marry well and to maintain the caste system. To the Nordic; with his tendency to make eating and drinking largely mechanical, his superficial or nearly indifferent, attitude toward love, and his purely theoretical Democracy, the Aryan appeared highly impractical. This failure of blonde brother to understanding brunette brother lead to the Civil War.

The English attitude toward the non-resistant Hindu is but another illustration of the *Nordic idea* of the *philosophy of the Aryan,* Jesus.

To the British, the Hindu is dumb and stupid. Yet *the great philosophies of all time have come from Asia and the Aryans.*

A man may use the inventions, laws, and outer apparel of "civilization" and yet *not* be civilized. A man may talk fluently of Christianity and faithfully practice the religious ritual and yet be *a spiritual barbarian.*

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a strong artistic quality, and if you will learn to guard your tongue a little more carefully, and will put the energy you possess at work, you can make good as a classic dancer. You have much that is very favorable, and your worst fault is that of saying malicious things.

KLP—No, whether your handwriting conforms to prescribed forms does not matter except that for the general reader it makes for ease in reading. You are erratic, too changeable to win out, but if you will determine to develop that desire you have to work with machinery, you will find happiness and success.

Ken—No, your love affair will pass. You are not suited to one another, and time will prove this, for your handwritings are going separate paths. Your loved one will marry someone else. Don't rush matters, but expect good.

J. B.—Poor child, the world is all out of kilter, and it all begins in your own heart. Develop love—for everyone. Not a selfish love, demanding much, but a love that forgives, and believes in the good of others. Your unhappiness is largely a state of your own innermost soul, and you must wipe that rancor out of your heart if you are to be happy. Your artistic talents are not pronounced, and show nothing more than a love of approbation. I'm sorry, but if you will accept this kindly I can promise you sweetness of life because you have the capacity to get from life the things worth while.

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SCIENCE and ARCHAEOLOGY

Looking Backward Over 1926

It was at the end of a year in the flood tide of science that the American Association for the Advancement of Science held its annual meeting last week in Philadelphia. It had been the year in which:

Experimenters in Belgium, Germany and California had failed to corroborate the other drift findings of Dr. Miller of Cleveland, thus tending to substantiate the Einstein theory of time-space relativity.

Dr. Millikan of California had verified the existence of cosmic rays of great penetration, Dr. Kolhoerster of Germany tracing their source to the constellations Orion, Hercules and Andromeda, where new stars are forming.

Dr. Michelson of Chicago had remeasured the speed of light, setting it at 186,284 mi. per sec.

Dr. Hopkins of Illinois had isolated a new chemical element, No. 61 in Mendeleev's table, and named it Illinium.

Dr. Sumner of Manhattan had isolated the first enzyme.

Dr. Coolidge of Schenectady had produced powerful cathode rays outside a vacuum tube; his colleague, Dr. Langmuir, had perfected a hydrogen-hydrogen welding flame, the hottest ever; another colleague, Dr. Alexanderson, had nearly perfected radio television.

Mars had come closer to Earth than it would be for another 13 years.

There had been a total solar eclipse, new comets, unusual sunspots and the only perfect lunar appulse in four centuries.

Dr. Streeter of Washington had studied the youngest human embryo yet available (eleven days).

A European fly taken to New England to fight two insect pests had proved itself the enemy of 92 other insects.

Tetraethyl lead (anti-knock) gasoline had been declared safe for general use and been put on sale throughout the country.

The National Academy of Sciences, with aid from college presidents, foundations, manufacturers and Secretary Hoover, had launched a campaign for 20 millions to devote to independent scientific research.

These and many more events of 1926 were in the minds of scientific gentlemen who thronged, about 1,000 strong, in 15 sections and 43 allied societies, to Drexel Institute, Philadelphia. There their retiring president, Professor Michael Idvorsky Pupin, one-time Serbian shepherd, now oft-honored electro-physicist of Columbia University, greeted them with poetic discourse upon the progress of electrical communication, beginning with James Clerk Maxwell's monograph on magnetism in 1873 and Heinrich Rudolf Hertz's experiments with pulsations in the ether in 1889, through Marconi's practical application of Hertz's discoveries, to modern radio and radio-telephony. Himself the author of great advances in electrical communication, Dr. Pupin predicted the ultimate translation of cosmic messages from the surrounding universe, especially those emisions of the sun which are now looked upon as nuisances to earthly radio since they cause "static" and "fading."

The scientists (and many a layman, for the meetings were public) attended further discourses, papers, demonstrations, including:

Reversible Pigeons. Male pigeons, after sitting on eggs in place of their mates, gave female blood tests. Females allowed to live actively instead of passively, gave male blood tests. Conclusion: sex is affected, perhaps in part determined, by the speed of bodily metabolism:—*Dr. Oscar Riddle* and *Dr. Warren H. Reinhart,* Carnegie Institution.

Errata. Subsequent examination of the fossil discovered last autumn at Trinil, Java, and reported everywhere as another skull of *Pithecanthropus erectus,* the Java ape-man, showed the relic to be an elephant's knee cap. The "Southwestern Colorado Man," lately deduced from a set of Eocene teeth, was a myth, the teeth having proved to be those of an antique horse.—*Dr. Ales Hrdlicka,* Smithsonian Institution.

Drinkers' Sons. Ten generations of rats were daily intoxicated with alcohol fumes. The eleventh generation was put in a cage with descendents of non-alcoholic rats. The two strains got drunk at the same rate. Conclusion: a drinker's sons cannot inherit from him a steady head for drinking; acquired characteristics are not demonstrably inheritable.—*Frank Blair Hanson* and *Florence Hays,* Washington University, St. Louis.

Pure Science. Much Federal and State money is spent on applied science. But the raw materials of applied science is pure science—research. The burden

of pure science research is borne chiefly by colleges and universities. They need help. They will get help. The present ratios of ten to one in men and twenty to one in dollars for applied science compared to pure science constitutes a "challenge."—*Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover.*

Bose Exposed. Sir Jagadis Chandra Bose of India has been causing scientific excitement with his assertions that plants have nervous systems, souls. A book giving a sympathetic account of the Hindu, his work and methods, sets forth: "The mysteries of nature are probed in Sir J. C. Bose's institute not by study of libraries or mechanical experiments, but primarily by communion with the unseen and unknown. Inspiration, imagination, intuition, vision—this is even a more romantic touch." All of which is ridiculous. "The passage from pseudo-research to the infantile fancies is an easy one," says *Dr. Daniel T. MacDougal,* Carnegie Institution.

Astute Crooks. People say crooks are mentally deficient. Never believe it. Convicts of the "lowest" criminal type were given the Army intelligence tests and they passed far above the average. Crime is a busines for shrewd men. To stop it, make crime unprofitable and shrewd men will stay honest.—*Manager James H. Hepbron,* Baltimore Criminal Justice Commission.

Domesticated Insects. Practical entomology will some day provide the farmer with insects as useful to him as his other domesticated creatures.—*Dr. Leland Ossion Howard,* U. S. Dept. of Agriculture.

War of 1929. The earth is one organism, comprising atmosphere (air), hydrosphere (water), lithosphere (rocks), biosphere (life). This organism lies in the vast magnetic field of the sun, which fluctuates in regular cycles. Solar irruptions of the coming two years, the maxima of cycles large and small, will agitate the solar magnetic field and produce upheavals on earth, including the biosphere. Study of physico-chemical history ("historiometry") shows large human wars occurring at times of maximum sunspots. Conclusion: a solar agitation of the human race during 1927-29 "of the highest historical importance," greatest since 1870.—*Archaeologist A. Tchijovsky,* University of Moscow.

"No More Work." If the hydrogen contained in two teaspoonsful of water were converted into helium, 200,000 kilowatt hours of energy would be liberated. In perhaps two centuries this and other feats will be performed with atoms, whose energy will then do all mankind's labor.—*Dr. Carl Frederich Schlissel,* of Germany.

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ARCHAEOLOGY

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Amazons. Archaeological evidence is now complete that the female warriors mentioned by King Priam in Homer's *Iliad*—the Amazons against whom he fought as a boy at the headwaters of the Sangarius River—were actually men of the Hittite tribe whose practice of shaving earned them the scorn of the bearded Phrygians. Hittite sculpture found up the Sangarius shows the fashion of shaving coming to an abrupt end about 1250 B. C. (some 50 years before Priam spoke). Perhaps the razor was blamed for the Hittite reverses.—*General Secretary John Linton Myres,* British Association for the Advancement of Science.

Resolution. At its sectional meeting the American Association of University Professors resolved to "take initiative in bringing about a more effective cooperation between all groups or organizations interested in opposing legislative restriction on freedom of teaching in state-supported institutions," i.e. to fight the organized minority of anti-Evolutionists lest a measure similar to Prohibition become the law of the land.

Award. To Professor George David Birkhoff of Harvard University went the Association's annual prize of $1,000 for the "most notable contribution to the advancement of science." Professor Birkhoff had offered "A Mathematical Critique of Some Physical Theories," a paper submitting new equations to clarify the Einstein theory, and to lead away from the quantum theory, of the nature of matter.—*Time.*

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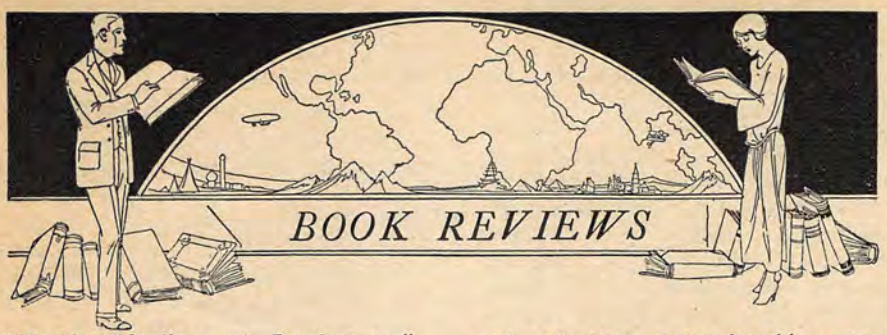
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The volume, from the press of the Occult Publishing Company, includes a thorough discussion of telepathy, telesthenia, hypnotism, thought suggestion, spiritism, transliminality, mental therapeutics, and spiritual essences. Perhaps the author's caution is one of his chief claims to scholarship, but the material, so widely diversified, makes of the volume a handy reference work on the fundamentals of the subjects in its table of contents.

Attractively bound and printed on good paper in clear type, the book is a tasty addition to any library shelf. Its edition is limited to one thousand numbered and signed copies, and should become rare within a very short time. Its present price markes it a particularly desirable buy for those who have to count well the money expended for their technical background in occult advancement.—K.M.E.

It is perhaps too much to expect that such exhaustive and painstaking statement of occult truths as embodied in Ida Mingle's SCIENCE OF LOVE WITH KEY TO IMMORTALITY should also have the merit of an easy style. This, indeed, is the only defect in the work as a whole, and is a fault only insofar as it is slightly difficult to follow some of the author's involved sentences, making much re-reading necessary.

Otherwise the book is an excellent statement of an entirely original thesis. Instead of the usual approach to cosmic consciousness and self-development through the purely mental ,this treatise of 1118 pages, sets forth the interrelation which the physical, particularly with reference to sex life, has in the unfoldment of the spiritual nature.

Its interpretation of many familiar Christian dogmas and beliefs is exceptionally interesting, and frequently startling. The merits of the philosophy itself are not material which one barely familiar with them could intelligently discuss, but doubtless there are many to whom it has brought solace and help.

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The Night Side of Life (*Continued from page* 31)

of systematized truths. When knowing this, we feel as though we could live for a thousand years in this life in perfect contentment, meeting all obstacles in patience and fortitude. All things are well thought out, before knowledge is appreciated.

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There are many germs in organic life that are developed in the dark; as the babe in the womb of the mother who grows and develops in darkness. It should be borne in mind that if the cause of anything cannot be clearly explained or understood, it does not lessen its value as truth, although the effect of that cause may be shrouded in darkness, or the night side of life, which is not always of a material nature. Those who have been convinced and have obtained the truth in these matters are very likely to clothe this truth in mysticism. This is error which should be guarded against, as it is not contained in the book of nature whether it be seen or unseen forces. But one must "study to know, know to understand, understand to judge."

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Telethot and Telepathy (*Continued from page* 13)

society on the same evening. Wallace always insisted that Darwin was the *originator* of the idea of development of species by natural selection but Darwin insisted that his co-worker had covered much the same ground, independently.

The fact is that they both had worked together—by telethot, unconsciously. Scores of such examples may be found in science, invention and literature continually. Imagine the accomplishments possible in these fields when the laws of Telethot are generally understood and applied and the misunderstandings that will be avoided as in the recent case of world-famed author who was charged with "plagiarism."

How often have *you* observed that in conversation one is prevented by his interlocutor from expressing a thot that was on the tip of his tongue—how the other person literally "took the word out of your mouth" as the colloquial expression in Ulster puts it.

The *first condition* for successful telethot is that the minds that are *to work* together be *en rapport*. *One* should be in the *positive* attitude—the *other* in the *negative* or *receiving* attitude. This can be developed by practice. Identity of temperament, purpose and thot is desirable.

The literary worker recognizes the importance of being in a certain frame of mind "to get *an inspiration.*" This cannot be forced but can be *cultivated* by observation and practice. One should be well rested, well fed, as free as possible from distracting thots for the best literary or scientific work. I have always found the early morning hours best for important work.

An Australian physician, in his recently published work, presents interesting conclusive evidence that great geniuses have been neurotic, have suffered seriously, in many cases, with some nervous ailment or defect, as in the cases of Pope and Byron. Not a pathological condition but a highly sensitized condition of mind is necessary for the best work. Darwin did not suffer as did Spencer—for he possessed a refined organization and had the faculty of intense concentration necessary for successful work.

A capacity for complete relaxation is important, as the attitude of the receptive mind is necessary for successful accomplishment. The practice of *"tenso-laxing"* (alternate tensing and relaxing) physical and mental combined, develops the capacity for putting one's self in a receptive attitude as well as for concentrating all the power of the mind upon a given thot.

Very little has been written on thought transference of scientific value. I have found the chief requirement for successful telethot is a harmonious condition of the body, including the brain, brought about by a simple uniform diet, which is interestingly confirmed by the Electronic system of diagnosis and treatment. Health, working capacity, physical and mental, are greatly improved by simple, complete balanced diet, uniformly followed, with the enjoyment of eating.

Man's Greatest Curse (*Continued from page* 17)

Cast out fear and you do not need to repent; *cast out fear and you are saved!* Cast out fear and you cannot hate. Cast out fear and travel the highway of Life in safety. Choose ye your goal yourselves. In your hands you hold the key to Eternal Life. Awaken to the power within yourself and study Life; use the gifts that Nature has bestowed upon you. Study in the silence and the voice of your being will answer you. Knowledge is within your own domain. The pearls of Life are not scattered at your feet. You hold them, as it were, in the hollow of your hand.

Begin each day anew. Transcribe your name in every moment of your time and know that not a second passes that is not your own. If you use them, you are *saved.* If you waste them, you are lost. It is not the deeds of great men that make *your life.* It is *your* thoughts—like the minutes that fill your life, with things worth while.

The Cipher Key (*Continued from page* 21)

Is — 99 — Mechanical—120 equal—259. The numbers of A-1 — Soul — 270—equal the number of the word: Star—271, which reversed is the number of the word: Born — 172. The digits form the numbers: 721, and 712—A-1 — Character — 281 — Development — 439 — equal — 721. The numbers of: The—113—Great—193—Within—406—equal—712, which reversed is the number of the word: Zodiac—217.

The number of the word: Magnetic —195—plus—1—equal the number of the word: Body—196—which reversed is: Spirit — 348 — Control—343—equal 691.

The numbers of: The — 113 — Magnetic—195—Life—40—equal the number of Spirit 348—which reversed is—The—113, Subconscious—647—Mind—83, equal—843.

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